

WATERFORD.
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in lot back of W. Haynes' re-
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and son Linwood, are
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and Mrs. Will Allen, on
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BROVNSFIELD.
is in town for a few days.
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The meetings will be
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and Mrs. C. E. Kezar
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CARD OF THANKS.
We wish to publicly express our heartfelt
gratitude to neighbors and friends for their
kindness on the occasion of our great bereavement
in the death of our beloved wife and
mother.
ROSELYN TOWN AND FAMILY,
Norway, Feb. 14, 1898.

BUSINESS SPECIALS.
Under this head business notices inserted
for ten cents per line. Seven words to the line.
Read Hills' new ad.
We give you a first-class crayon and
frame for \$3.50. Harvard Crayon Por-
trait Co., Beal's Hotel, Norway.
Solid gold spectacle frames at Hills
for \$1.87, others ask \$3.00; 8 and 10 K
frames, \$1.35 and \$1.50; ten year gold
filled frames \$1.25, others \$2.00.
New lot of sulphur at Stone's drug
store.
Get your pictures enlarged by the
Harvard Crayon Portrait Co. Reason-
able prices and good work.
Have your watch repaired by Hills,
"good work costs no more."
Talk about pictures. There are none
so good as the pictures done by the Har-
vard Crayon Co., Beal's Hotel.
Get your spectacles and eye glasses at
Hills, the only practical optician in Ox-
ford Co.
Partners wanted, with few thousand
capital, good education and capacity,
for half interest in safe, permanent,
profitable business. No advertising
schemes, air castles, nor side issues, but
a straight, old line business. Terms
cash on basis of average years profit
since establishment. Rare opportunity
for young man with business ambition.
If interested, please visit or write Busi-
ness, 23 Pearl St., Portland, Me.
NORWAY AND VICINITY.
Miss Ellwell of Brunswick is visiting
her uncle, William D. Bisbee.
Rev. Sumner Bangs and wife of Buck-
field visited his brother, Henry J. Bangs,
Monday.
Mrs. Otto Schumier is able to be about
the house. She has been sick with rheu-
matic fever.
Twenty-five couples from Lewiston and
Auburn will attend the clerks' ball to-
night (Friday).
E. P. Sawtelle of Clinton, Mass., is
spending a few days in town, the guest
of Thomas and Charles Smiley.
Henry B. Foster has had a good job of
painting and papering done in his store.
Judge Foster, who is holding Court at
South Paris, spent the Sabbath at his
home in Bethel. He is at the Beal's.
It is the intention of the management
to make the Clerks' Ball to-night (Fri-
day) the best in every respect of the sea-
son.
The ladies will give a supper and enter-
tainment at the vestry of the Congrega-
tional church, Wednesday evening, Feb.
23d.
Going to Klondike.
George E. Lasselle has made arrange-
ments to leave Norway in about six
weeks, and join the Fred Emery Beane
party, which will at that time start from
Portland. They will go to Klondike via
Seattle and the Skagway trail.
The Clerks of Norway, who give a ball,
this evening (Friday) have a finely ar-
ranged and very pretty dance order. It
will make a pleasing souvenir of a happy
occasion.
There will be no preaching at the
Universalist church for two Sundays,
Rev. C. E. Angell being away. Sunday
school and evening meeting will be held
as usual.
Sunday evening, if the weather be
pleasant, Rev. B. S. Rideout will give
the first of a series of three or four lec-
tures on A Brief Outline History of
Congregationalism.
Mrs. Ferd F. Swan was thrown from a
sleigh near South Paris depot, last week.
At first it was feared she was seriously
injured, but fortunately it proved to be
only a severe shock.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Bartlett of
Hanover came down, the other day, for
a visit to Mrs. Bartlett's aunts, Mrs. Jo-
siah Dutton of Norway and Mrs. Thomas
Willis of South Paris.
The Lynn Evening Item of Feb. 12th
says: John Callahan, manufacturer of
hemlock outsoles, is finding a market
for his stock in England. He has
shipped 30 cases of stock to London,
Eng., this week.
Birthday Reception.
The many relative friends of Mr. and
Mrs. Truman Crosby gave them a sur-
prise party, the occasion being the sev-
enty-eighth birthday of Uncle Truman,
as we call him. They began to come at
9 a. m. and at 12 dinner was served.
They had cake of all kinds, color and
shape. Some white on top with 78 in
red, and some white on top with 78 in
red, in red. Mince, custard, pumpkin and
cream pies, doughnuts, and for those not
afraid of dyspepsia, baked pork and
beans and pork, peas and brownbread.
The happy time will long be remem-
bered. There were many beautiful pre-
sents such as tea, coffee, sugar and other
groceries and money.
Those that were present were—Mr.
and Mrs. H. Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs.
H. Proctor, Vina Proctor, Mr. and Mrs.
E. P. Proctor, Fred Proctor, Ethel Pro-
ctor, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pride, Mr. and
Mrs. Oxnard and daughter, Mrs. Mirah
Parker, Mr. and Mrs. H. Crosby, Mr.
and Mrs. S. F. Kimball, Sadie E. Kim-
ball, Mr. and Mrs. W. Twombly, Mr.
Gould.
Letters of congratulation were read
from several that could not be there.
Big snow storm, first snow, then rain,
then fourteen inches of snow. Tuesday
night and Wednesday. It was heavy
snow and mostly stayed where it fell.
Trains were delayed and all traffic im-
peded.
Last Thursday evening, a large num-
ber of members from the Christian En-
deavor Society, connected with the Con-
gregational church, gave their pastor,
Rev. B. S. Rideout, a surprise party in his
pleasant home on Main street. The pre-
vious arrangements were so skillfully
conducted by Mrs. Alma Bailey and oth-
ers, that the sudden appearance of the
guests proved a genuine surprise to the
minister. He was however equal to the
occasion and cordially invited all into
his cheerful rooms, where two of the
most delightful tokens of esteem from the
guests, singing and conversation. The
serving of ice cream and cake added
much to the physical enjoyment of the
evening. During the evening, Mr. Ride-
out and his wife were presented with
several useful tokens of esteem from the
Christian Endeavorers. Although the
were not rare nor costly, yet they were
generously given in loving remembrance
of the prominent position which the pas-
tor and his family hold in the hearts of
the Endeavor workers.

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3 months, 35 cents.
6 months, 50 cents.
1 year, 75 cents.

NUMBER 7.
Geo. W. Locke says he is a candidate
for postmaster notwithstanding reports
to the contrary.
Mrs. F. Q. Elliott attends the State Re-
lief Corps Convention at Augusta, this
week, as delegate from the local Corps.
The Baptist Y. P. S. C. E. will here-
after hold their meetings, Tuesday even-
ings. All are cordially invited to come.
Mr. Troy, fireman on the Norway
branch train, has been transferred to the
West Paris-Bryant's Pond helper en-
gine, and Ed. Greene has gone to work
on the Norway locomotive.
A beautiful azalea, the property of
Rev. B. S. Rideout, was seen at the Con-
gregational church, last Sunday. It came
from the hot house of Ernest Saunders
of Lewiston, who has one of the largest
hot houses in the State. Mr. Saunders
was formerly of Norway.
The senior class of the high school are
giving a concert for the piano fund. They
plan to give the entertainment, next
Thursday evening in Concert Hall.
There will be some very pleasing exer-
cises followed by a sociable.
The Chapel school closed, Feb. 4, after
a very profitable term taught by Emma
Titecomb. Miss Titecomb, though young
in the profession, has proved herself to
be one of our ablest instructors and the
children here made rapid progress. We
hope to secure her for the coming years
as she has given universal satisfaction.
\$140 were realized at the dollar party
given up by the ladies of the Universa-
list parish, last Friday evening. The
entertainment consisted of reading and
telling how the dollars were earned, in-
terpersed with music. The singing by
the quartette, composed of Mrs. Frank
Kimball, Carrie Tucker, Agnes Beal and
Agnes Tucker, the songs by Geo. Briggs
and the cornet solo by Arthur Nor-
worthy accompanied by Virgie Sargent
on the piano were especially fine.
The Little Androsoggin Valley Sun-
day School Association will be held at
the Methodist Church on Tuesday eve-
ning, Feb. 22. The local Sunday Schools
will furnish entertainment. The following is
the program:
FORENOON.
10.30. Devotional.....Rev. E. F. Doughty
11.00. Address of Welcome.....Rev. W. B. Eldridge
11.15. Appointment of committees.....
11.30. Ends to be sought in Sunday
school.....Rev. A. Hamilton
11.45. Address of Welcome.....Rev. W. B. Eldridge
11.50. Junior departments.....
Discussion.....Rev. R. J. Haughton
AFTERNOON.
1.00. Experience Meeting and Prayer.....
2.30. Appointment of committees.....
3.00. Ends to be sought in Sunday
school.....Rev. A. Hamilton
3.15. Address of Welcome.....Rev. W. B. Eldridge
3.30. Junior departments.....
Discussion.....Rev. R. J. Haughton
EVENING.
7.00. Praise Service.....
7.15. Address.....
7.30. Importance of Bible study in a
community.....Rev. B. S. Rideout
7.45. Relations of the Sunday School to the
community.....Rev. B. A. Roberts
8.00. Sunday School work.....
8.15. Its scope.....Rev. I. Jordan
Adjournment.....
NORTH WATERFORD.
E. B. York went to Norway, Monday,
after a long of grain.
The rug fever has broken out in this
vicinity in a light form.
Elden Stevens of East Stoneham is at
work for O. E. McAllister, cutting pine.
Watson McAllister, wife and daughter
Eva recently visited friends in East
Stoneham.
Will Allen has been having a bad time
with his face, caused by having his teeth
extracted, one day last week.
One of Will Walker's men, a French-
man, was slightly injured by a falling
recently, quite a narrow escape.
Mrs. Hattie Rice has gone to Haver-
hill, N. H., to care for the sick in Rev.
Mr. Skinner's family, who formerly re-
sided in Waterford.
Little Oscar Fields was on the sick list
with sore throat, the past week. There
are a good many cases of bad colds at
present in this vicinity.
E. B. York with his big team carried
twenty-five people to the concert at East
Stoneham, last Friday night. A jolly
good time was reported.
Joseph Snow died at the residence of
his mother, Mrs. David Lebrake, Feb.
6th, after about a week's severe illness.
He had been out of health for some four
years with a serious lung trouble and
had been unable to speak aloud for a
long time. He was a native of Barrington,
N. B., but had been a resident of
Maine for a long time. The deceased
leaves a widow, two little sons, a mother
and a sister besides other friends to
mourn their loss. The afflicted family
have the sympathy of the entire commu-
nity.
STOW.
Mrs. O. H. Day is very poorly.
Fred Garland was in Stow, last week,
visiting at Frank Emery's.
Elmer Brackett is driving team for
Ralph Emerson, this winter.
Mrs. Hannah Emerson is visiting her
sister, Mrs. Asa Charles, at West Frye-
burgh.
Corra Emerson celebrated her birthday
with a bad cold which everybody seems
to be having.
Ethel Gupitill and George Walker had
a birthday party, Feb. 10. All report a
very pleasant evening, and we hope they
will have many pleasant birthdays.
SWEDEN.
Charles Berry died, Feb. 7th, after an
illness of one week, aged 67 years.
Mr. Berry had been a very hard working
man through life. He has worked in the
woods either chopping or driving a
team for thirty winters or more. He was
honest in his dealing and was liked by
very pleasant even to the very end.
He was a kind hearted and was very much re-
spected in the neighborhood where he
lived. He leaves a wife, two sons, and
two brothers, Ira Berry of Saco and Sam-
uel R. of Lebanon, N. H., to mourn
the loss; also many friends. Among
the relatives from away were Samuel R.
Berry of Lebanon, N. H., and Mrs.
Schute of Saco. Services were at his
home, Rev. Mr. Stone of Fryeburg officiating.
Singing by the Lovell choir.

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Supreme Judicial Court.
The rest of last week, the court con-
tinued along, giving a good many hear-
ings, particularly on divorce cases.
Friday morning the Grand Jury re-
ported seven indictments. As made
public we give them:
Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada,
criminally to animals in transportation.
Henry A. Mills, cheating by false pretenses.
Lewis Meader, common seller of intoxicating
liquors.
Lewis A. Meader, common seller of intoxicat-
ing liquors.
David T. Clark, disorderly conduct on a
train.
George L. Thurlow and Clarence Thurlow,
breaking and entering and larceny.
One indictment has not been made
public.
Willis E. Meader of Dixfield on ac-
count of two liquor charges—search and
seizure, single sale—paid fines and costs
amounting to \$150.
In the Buckfield village corporation
tax cases, appealed from a pro forma
decision of the Norway Municipal Court,
Hilberson ruled that the tax was legal
and must be paid. Carlton Gardiner and
Merritt Parsons sued to recover for tax
paid under protest, claiming it to be
illegal.
Geo. W. Keene of Poland, appellant
from the Norway Municipal Court paid
fines and costs amounting to \$26 and the
charge of cruelty was not pressed. His
principal defense was lack of jurisdic-
tion, the misdemeanor if committed,
having occurred in Androsoggin Coun-
ty. The law provides that jurisdiction
shall be where the animal may be found,
and Judge Foster believes the law is con-
stitutional.
George D. Bisbee of Rumford Falls,
Jesse M. Libby of Mechanic Falls, and
John B. Robinson of Oxford are the com-
mitted parties to a divorce case, the
road recently located in Lovell, against
which appeal is made from the county
commissioners.
The case of Emily L. Fuller, libellant,
vs. Jesse E. Fuller, went to trial before
Judge Henry, Monday morning. This
was a hotly contested divorce case, the
wife asking for a decree of freedom from
matrimonial bonds for cruel and abusive
treatment, non support, and gross and
confirmed habits of intoxication, the
latter being the principal plea. Jaceus
Atwood for plaintiff. The defense was
a general and detailed denial of all the
charges and a counter claim that the
holl in the home was made by the wife.
Sawsey for defendant. Tuesday, the
case was given to the jury who worked
a long time and then rendered a verdict
granting a divorce. The case goes to
the law court on motion for a new trial.
Following that work was begun on the
case of Jesse E. Fuller vs. Edwin How-
ard. When Mr. Fuller went from Har-
ford to Auburn, he left with Mr. How-
ard, who is his father-in-law, a horse,
some farming implements and other
property to be disposed of. This was
an action of trover to recover \$250 for
that property. The case is claimed by
Howard never settled for. The defense
was a claim that he performed his work
in full as the plaintiff's agent and ac-
counted for same. Sawsey for prosecu-
tion, Wright for defense. The second
jury heard the case and failed to de-
liberate on it, Wednesday evening.
9 o'clock, Thursday morning, a verdict
was not reached.
C. C. Ackroyd of Portland brings the
next action, a suit against officer John
A. Decker of Rumford Falls for false ar-
rest.
Other cases will keep court going till
next week.
Sheriff Porter came over, Monday. He
has been confined to the house with in-
flamation of the eyes.
Wednesday, clerk of courts Whitman
was laid up with sickness. His Honor
took charge of the books and kept the
wheels of justice moving.
Divorces have been granted as follows:
George E. Shackley, Blake from Walter C.
Blake for cruel and abusive treatment. He
now in jail on account of inability to furnish
security for his release, as required when
sentenced for wife beating.
Mary A. DeCoster from Jacob C. DeCoster,
Cruelty of Marital Relations. Cruel and
non support. Custody of minor children to
mother.
George A. Kelley from Frank R. Kelley. Non
support. Custody of child to mother.
William Richardson from Grover N. H. Cruel
and abusive treatment.
Judith of Haverhill, Norway from Nellie M.
Annie L. Richardson of Norway from Wiley
A. Richardson for a long time. The de-
fense was a claim that he performed his work
in full as the plaintiff's agent and ac-
counted for same. Sawsey for prosecu-
tion, Wright for defense. The second
jury heard the case and failed to de-
liberate on it, Wednesday evening.
Mary E. Pierce of Hebron from Lincoln R.
Pierce of No. Easton, Mass. Desertion.

SOUTH PARIS.
Rose Austin is at home. She has been
teaching at Webb's Mills.
Carl Peterson has taken rent in E. I.
Sporfords house on Western avenue.
Sunday, the 27th, the Rev. W. W.
Hooper of Deering will preach at South
Paris.
The selectmen have posted the new
check list in the post-office. It contains
1030 names.
Thomas S. Barnes and family were
called to Portland, last week, by the
death of his mother.
Charles C. Curtis and wife have been
down from West Paris for a week.
Frank E. Kimball is degree master in
Mt. Mica Lodge of Odd Fellows in place
of the late Mark Leach.
Next Sunday at the Methodist church,
Rev. A. A. Bean will preach on the
seventh commandment.
Crackers have gone up 20 per cent. in
price. The merchants say that it is the
work of the cracker trust.
Many dealers have gone to Florida, to
spend the rest of the winter with her
brother William and his family.
Robert Tufts had a tip over and run-
away to look after while out driving, Sat-
urday evening. Damage, a broken
sleigh.
Albert W. Dyer of Portland will give
his illustrated lecture on the journey
across the continent, Friday evening, at
the Congregational church.
"The schools need the stimulus of
active superintendence" remarks J. A.
Lamb. Mr. Lamb has had extensive
experience in educational work, much of
it under such superintendence, and his
opinion ought to be valuable.

BETHEL.
Detective Wormell went to Portland
on business Wednesday.
Tuesday night brought us another
snow storm of about 12 inches and still
coming Wednesday morning.
If the items of news are not very fully
reported from Bethel, this week, the
readers will please charge the same to
four days' mump under the right ear of
the correspondent.
The Reception.
There were about fifty couples, stu-
dents and invited guests, on the floor in
the grand march, and nearly as many
seated and standing around the hall.
At the close of the entertainment all re-
turned to their homes feeling that they
had enjoyed one of the pleasantest oc-
casions of the season. It will be just to all
interested to give a word here in expla-
nation of the reception being given by
the students of Bethel Academy, on the
evening immediately following the one
that proved so unfortunate to the beau-
tiful academy building. But this recep-
tion had been anticipated for some
weeks and the evening decided upon;
but laying close to the floor they met on
the water, throwing it in every direction.
About this time, Mr. Childs of the News
office succeeded in raising the trap door
leading to the belfry, letting out the
smoke and relieving the firemen, who
worked with the coolness of more expe-
rienced men. The hook and ladder com-
pany were also on hand, and the firemen
handling the outside hose were soon
upon the roof of the building, where
they could readily play upon any point
where the fire appeared. For about fif-
teen minutes it seemed doubtful which
would win, the fire or firemen. But the
second fifteen minutes resulted in favor
of the firemen. The roof was burned
through in many places and some
of the rafters so nearly consumed that
the carpenters were obliged to stay
them up before going upon the outside
to patch up the holes. The building
was insured with Wm. J. Wheeler,
agent, for \$4,000, in two companies, and
the furniture was insured for \$1000.
Mr. Wheeler was in town the next day
and put on carpenters to repair the roof
temporarily until damage could be ad-
justed. Cause of fire unknown.
Zeph. Hascorne has made arrange-
ments to transfer some of the desks
from the academy into our brick school
building and finish the winter term of
the academy—two weeks more—in the
latter building. It opened, Wednesday
of this week.
WATERFORD.
I. F. Jewett is so he walks out a little.
A bouncing baby boy at Lew Millett's.
Harriet Knight is boarding at L. G.
Stone's.
Wm. Dotsen and family were at L. G.
Stone's, Sunday.
W. V. Kneeland lost one of his team
hoses, last week.
Rev. T. S. Ferry preached at the Con-
gregational church, Sunday.
Wm. Kingman has a big toe, the re-
sult of a collision with a fork tine.
Josiah Plummer who was seriously in-
jured, some time ago, is gaining but not
out yet, I think.
Jennie Burnham is home for her vaca-
tion. She is connected with the schools
at Groveton, N. H.
F. M. Atherton has lost two cows, re-
cently, from inflammation of the intes-
tines, it is supposed.
We hear that Rev. C. L. Skinner and
wife, formerly of this place, now of Ha-
verhill, N. H., are rejoicing over the
advent of a fine boy. We congratulate
them.
Died in Waterford, Sunday, Feb. 13th,
Joel S. Plummer, aged about 65 years.
October 22d, 1837. Mr. Plummer had
misfortune to break one of his legs, and
as he was in a feeble state or health it
refused to knit. After many weeks of
suffering it was decided that his only
chance of life was in amputation, which
operation was performed, last Friday,
by Dr. Thompson of Portland, but he
failed to rally and quietly and painless-
ly passed away. He will be missed in
this community as he was a man of
great integrity, a kind husband and
father, a prominent member of the
Congregational church and of Mt.
Tir'em Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he
had filled the office of treasurer for six-
teen consecutive years; also at the time
of his death was collector and treasurer
of the town. Will Alwood, John Cole,
Edward Eastman, Maud Newell, and
others were present at the funeral.

PARIS.
The sick people are reported to be
gaining.
M. P. Shaw has bought the Barrows
house on Tremont street and will move
there soon.
The oldest inhabitant, or one of the
oldest, prophesied fair weather for Wed-
nesday. Don't do it again, please.
The lecture by Albert W. Dyer of
Portland at the Baptist church, this
Thursday evening, promises to be very
fine. Subject, From Sunrise to Sunset
Seas.
Miss E. G. Harlow closed a very suc-
cessful term at Paris primary school,
Friday, Feb. 11th. These scholars had
not been absent during the term: Eu-
gene Hammond, Benj. Doe, Freddie Doe,
Ferry Thayer, Will Alwood, John Cole,
Edward Eastman, Maud Newell, and
others were present at the funeral.

NORTH NORWAY.
R. O. French sent off a car load of ap-
ples, Monday.
Harriet and Arthur Bonny came from
Portland to attend their father's funeral,
last week.
We have been informed that the pre-
siding elder, Rev. J. A. Corey, is ex-
pected to preach at the chapel, the 24th.
Roy Marton disappeared from view,
the 14th, and 20 men spent part of the
night searching for him. He was found
the next day near Greenwood city on
the way to Andover afoot. It would have
been quite a walk for a boy 11 years old.

Methodist Ministers Meet.
The annual meeting of the clergy of
Lewiston District was held at Bethel
this week, beginning on Monday eve-
ning and continuing till Wednesday noon.
The opening was a praise service led
by Prof. W. S. Wright. It was followed
by a sermon from Rev. G. D. Holmes,
the able pastor of the church at Brun-
swick.
Tuesday morning, Rev. C. H. Young
of North Auburn opened the day's work
by leading a devotional service. Ad-
dresses were given during the forenoon
on "The Significance and Probable Out-
come of the Mills Music Hall Movement"
by Rev. H. L. Williams of Lisbon and
Rev. E. S. Stackpole of Auburn; "How
far can Evangelical Churches Unite with
Liberal Churches on a Religious Plat-
form?" by Rev. J. T. Crosby of Bath and
Rev. G. D. Stanley of Oxford; "Needs of
Present-Day Preaching" by Rev. A. W.
Potter of Bowdoinham and Rev. C. A.
Brooks of Yarmouth.
Tuesday evening, Rev. A. T. Craig
led the opening devotional service. He
was followed by Rev. Alexander Ham-
ilton, the pastor of the church, who re-
lated the fascinating story of the remark-
able vicissitudes of "Methodism in
Bethel". From his historical sketch it
appears that Rev. Nicholas Sneathen of
the Portland circuit first visited Bethel
in 1798. John Martin, a local preacher,
took an active part in the work. One
result was a visit from Rev. Joshua Tay-
lor, October 22d, 1837. Mr. Taylor was
forthrightly preaching. In the spring
of 1890 the conference was held at Lynn
and Rev. Joseph Baker was assigned to
Bethel & Rumford. That same year,
the church was organized at Bethel.
The southern bound of the circuit was
drawn from Peru westerly to the New
Hampshire line and all the settlements
in Maine north of that. In 1814 a small
chapel was built at Dunstons Ferry.
That church was twice struck by light-
ning, once during service when a Mrs.
Magill was killed. The first class leader
was Nathaniel Segur. Later another
chapel was built at Locke's Corner. In
1832 Rumford circuit was set off. Many
of the best and ablest preachers have
achieved distinction, and one, Joshua
Soule was an eminent bishop. In 1859-60
during the pastorate of Rev. E. Davies,
a neat and convenient church was erect-
ed. Sept. 18, 1891, it was destroyed by
a terrible fire, nearly all the interior
walls, roof, steeple and contents being
totally wrecked. The next year a com-
fortable church of modern design was
erected, and dedicated, free from debt,
on the 14th of February, 1893. The pres-
ent pastor, Rev. Alexander Hamilton, is
a good worker, and church and parish
are in a prosperous condition. The
present resident membership is about
150.
Mr. Hamilton was followed by Rev.
G. B. Hannaford with a paper "Meth-
odism in Oxford County." Rev. D. B.
Holt of Bridgton spoke on "Changes in
Methodism During the Century." Rev.
W. B. Eldridge of Norway on "Influence
of Methodism on Other Denominations."
and Rev. G. B. Hannaford again ad-
dressed the meeting, this time on "Distinctive
Methodist Doctrines."
Tuesday evening, Rev. E. A. Leitch of
Gorham, N. H., gave an exhaustive dis-
cussion on the subject of "Our Might
Methodism."
Wednesday morning, Rev. R. A. Rich-
ard of Buckfield led a devotional service.
Rev. A. K. Bryant of West Paris and
Rev. G. W. Barber of South Waterford
discussed the advisability of dividing
the district into ministerial meetings. Rev.
J. A. Bean of South Paris, Rev. H. A.
Pearce of Naples and Rev. Wm. Bragg of
Waterford had a debate over the advan-
tages or disadvantages of a district min-
isterial lay conference. Rev. H. C. Wil-
son and Rev. F. E. Leitch spoke on
means for increasing knowledge of the
Bible among Methodists. Rev. J. H.
Trask and Rev. D. E. Miller of Bath
discussed work of committees. The
meeting closed with two book reviews,
Zeno's Elements of Higher Criticism re-
viewed by Presiding Elder Corey and
Hall Caine's "The Christian" reviewed
by Rev. J. L. Hoyle of Rumford Falls.
Much interest was manifested in com-
ing conference to be held at Norway in
April.

WATERFORD.
is at work for Walter
ated to be about four feet of
vel in the woods.
ams is cutting pine for How-
on the Swan lot.
Haynes and daughter visited
East Otisfield, the past week.
Mrs. Merrill and little son vis-
ited relatives in Norway, the
past week.
District No. 7 commenced
under the management of
Mr. J. H. Brown.
Mr. J. H. Brown is hauling cord wood
on lot back of W. Haynes' to
ford.
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on Norway to Sweden for
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CARD OF THANKS.
We wish to publicly express our heartfelt
gratitude to neighbors and friends for their
kindness on the occasion of our great bereavement in the death of our beloved wife and
mother.
ROLAN TOWN AND FAMILY,
Norway, Feb. 14, 1898.

BUSINESS SPECIALS.
Under this head business notices inserted
for ten cents per line. Seven words to the line.
Read Hills' new ad.
We give you a first-class crayon and
frame for \$3.50. Harvard Crayon Por-
trait Co., Beal's Hotel, Norway.
Solid gold spectacle frames at Hill's
for \$1.87, others ask \$3.00; 8 and 10 K.
frames, \$1.35 and \$1.50; ten year gold
filled frames \$1.25, others \$2.00.
New lot of sulphur at Stone's drug
store.
Get your pictures enlarged by the
Harvard Crayon Portrait Co. Reasona-
ble prices and good work.
Have your watch repaired by Hill's,
"good work" and reliable.
Talk about pictures. There are none
so good as the pictures done by the Har-
vard Crayon Co., Beal's Hotel.
Get your spectacles and eye glasses at
Hill's, the only practical optician in Ox-
ford Co.
Partners wanted, with few thousand
capital, good education and capacity,
for an interest in safe, permanent,
profitable business. No advertising
schemes, air castles, nor side issues, but
a straight, old line business. Terms
cash on basis of average years profit
since establishment. Rare opportunity
for young men with no special ambition.
If interested, please visit or write Busi-
ness, 23 Pearl St., Portland, Me.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.
Miss Ellwell of Brunswick is visiting
her uncle, William D. Bishop.
Rev. Sumner Bangs and wife of Buck-
field visited his brother, Henry J. Bangs,
Monday.
Mrs. Otto Schuner is able to be about
the house. She has been sick with rheu-
matic fever.
Twenty-five couples from Lewiston and
Auburn will attend the clerks' ball to-
night (Friday).
E. P. Sawtelle of Clinton, Mass., is
spending a few days in town, the guest
of Thomas and Charles Smiley.
Henry B. Foster has had a good job of
painting and papering done in his store.
Judge Foster, who is holding Court at
South Paris, spent the Sabbath at his
home in Beal's.
It is the intention of the management
to make the Clerk's Ball (Sat. evening)
the best in every respect of the season.
The ladies will give a supper and enter-
tainment at the vestry of the Congrega-
tional church, Wednesday evening, Feb.
23d.
Going to Klondike.
George E. Lasselle has made arrange-
ments to leave Norway in about six
weeks, and join the Fred Emery Beane
party, which will at that time start from
Portland. They will go to Klondike via
Seattle and the Skagway trail.
The Clerks of Norway, who give a ball,
this evening (Friday) have a finely ar-
ranged and very pretty dance order. It
will make a pleasing souvenir of a happy
occasion.
There will be no preaching at the
Universalist church for two Sundays,
Rev. C. E. Angell being away. Sunday
school and evening meeting will be held
as usual.
Sunday evening, if the weather be
pleasant, Rev. B. S. Rideout will give
the first of a series of three or four lec-
tures on A Brief Outline History of
Congregationalism.
Mrs. Ferd F. Swan was thrown from a
sleigh near South Paris depot, last week.
At first it was feared she was seriously
injured, but fortunately it proved to be
only a severe shock.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Bartlett of
Hanover came down, the other day, for
a visit to Mrs. Bartlett's aunt, Mrs. Jo-
shiah Dutton of Norway and Mrs. Thomas
Willis of South Paris.
The Lynn Evening Item of Feb. 12th
says: John Callahan, manufacturer of
hempock cutlery, is finding a market
for his stock in England. He has
shipped 30 sacks of stock to London,
Eng., this week.
Birthday Reception.
The many relatives of Mrs. and
Mrs. Truman Crosby gave them a sur-
prise party, the occasion being the sev-
enty-eighth birthday of Uncle Truman,
as we call him. They began to come at
9 a. m. and at 12 dinner was served.
They had cake of all kinds, color and
shape. Some white on top with 78 red
dots, and some white on top and 78 red
dots in red. Slices, custard, pumpkin and
cream pie, doughnuts, and for those not
afraid of dyspepsia, baked pork and
beans and pork, peas and brown bread.
The happy time will long be remem-
bered. There were many useful pres-
ents such as tea, coffee, sugar and other
groceries and money.
Those that were present were: Mr.
and Mrs. H. Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs.
H. Proctor, Wm. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs.
B. P. Proctor, Fred Proctor, Ethel Pro-
ctor, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pride, Mr. and
Mrs. Oxnard and daughter, Mrs. Mirah
Parker, Mr. and Mrs. H. Crosby, Mr.
and Mrs. S. F. Kimball, Sadie E. Kim-
ball, Mr. and Mrs. W. Twombly, Mr.
Gould.
Letters of congratulation were read
from several that could not be there.
Big snow storm, first snow, then rain,
then fourteen inches of snow, Tuesday
night and Wednesday. It was heavy
snow and mostly stayed where it fell.
Trains were delayed and all traffic im-
peded.
Last Thursday evening, a large num-
ber of members from the Christian En-
deavor Society, connected with the Con-
gregational church, gave their pastor,
Rev. B. S. Rideout, a surprise party in his
pleasant home on Main street. The pre-
vious arrangements were so skillfully
conducted by Mrs. Anna Bailey and oth-
ers, that the sudden appearance of the
guests proved a genuine surprise to the
minister. He was however equal to the
occasion and cordially invited all into
his cheerful rooms, where two of the
most delightful evenings were spent in
games, singing and conversation. The
serving of ice cream and cake added
much to the physical enjoyment of the
evening. During the evening, Mr. Ride-
out and his wife were presented with
several useful tokens of esteem from the
Christian Endeavorers. Although these
were not rare nor costly, yet they were
generously given in loving remembrance
of the prominent position which the pas-
tor and his family hold in the hearts of
the Endeavor workers.

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Geo. W. Locke says he is a candidate
for postmaster notwithstanding reports
to the contrary.
Mrs. F. Q. Elliott attends the State Re-
lief Corps Convention at Augusta, this
week, as delegate from the local Corps.
The Baptist Y. P. S. C. E. will here-
after hold their meetings, Tuesday even-
ings. All are cordially invited to come.
Mr. Troy, from on the Norway
branch train, has been transferred to the
West Paris-Bryant's Pond helper en-
gine, and Ed. Greene has gone to work
on the Norway locomotive.
A beautiful azalea, the property of
Rev. B. S. Rideout, was seen at the Con-
gregational church, last Sunday. It came
from the hot house of Ernest Saunders
of Lewiston, who has one of the largest
hot houses in the State. Mr. Saunders
was formerly of Norway.
The senior class of the high school are
getting up an entertainment to obtain
funds for the piano fund. They plan
to give the entertainment, next
Thursday evening in Concert Hall.
There will be some very pleasing ex-
ercises followed by a sociable.
The Chapel school closed, Feb. 4, after
a very profitable term taught by Emma
Tipton. Miss Tipton, though young
in the profession, has proved herself to
be one of our ablest instructors and the
children here made rapid progress. We
hope to secure her for the coming year
as she has given universal satisfaction.
\$140 were realized at the dollar party
given up by the ladies of the Universa-
list parish, last Friday evening. The
entertainment consisted of reading and
telling how the dollars were earned, in-
terpersed with music. The singing by
the quartette, composed of Mrs. Frank
Kimball, Carrie Tucker, Agnes Beal and
Agnes Tucker, the songs by Geo. Briggs
and the cornet solo by Arthur Nor-
worthy accompanied by Virgie Sargent
on the piano were especially fine.
The Little Androsoggin Valley Scan-
dalo School Association will be held at
the Methodist Church, on Tuesday,
Feb. 22. The local Sunday Schools will
furnish entertainment. The following is
the program:
FORENOON.
10.30. Devotional.....Rev. E. F. Doughty
11.00. Address of Welcome.....Rev. W. B. Eldridge
11.15. Appointment of committees.....
Ladies to be sought in Sunday School
11.30. Divisions.....Rev. A. Hamilton
and Junior departments.....
Discussion.....Rev. R. J. Haughton
AFTERNOON.
1.00. Experience Meeting and Prayer.....
2.30. Impartance of a Normal Bible class
to every community.....
3.00. Methods of teaching the lesson.....
Rev. J. J. Wheeler, Rev. S. Rideout
4.00. Chalk Talk.....Rev. I. A. Bean
EVENING.
7.00. Praise Service.....
8.00. Address.....
Importance of Bible study in a com-
munity.....
Relations of the Sunday School to the
community.....Rev. B. A. Roberts
Sunday School.....
Its scope.....Rev. I. Jordan
Adjournment.....
NORTH WATERFORD.
E. B. York went to Norway, Monday,
after a load of grain.
The rug fever has broken out in this
vicinity in a light form.
Eldon Stevens of East Stoneham is at
sleigh near South Paris depot, last week.
Watson McAllister, wife and daughter
Eva recently visited friends in East
Stoneham.
Will Allen has been having a bad time
with his face, caused by having his teeth
extracted, one day last week.
One of Will Walker's men, a French-
man, was slightly injured by a falling
recently, quite a massive escape.
Mrs. Hattie Rice came to Haver-
hill, N. H., to care for the sick in Rev.
Mr. Skinner's family, who formerly re-
sided in Waterford.
Little Oscar Fields was on the sick list
with sore throat, the past week. There
are a good many cases of bad colds at
present in this vicinity.
E. B. York with his big team carried
twenty-five people to the concert at East
Stoneham, last Friday night. A jolly
good time was reported.
Joseph Snow died at the residence of
his mother, Mrs. David Lebrake, Feb.
6th, after about a week's severe illness.
He had been out of health for some four
years with a serious lung trouble and
had been unable to speak aloud for a
long time. He was a native of Barrington,
N. B., but had been a resident of
Maine for a long time. The deceased
leaves a widow, two little sons, a mother
and a sister besides other friends to
mourn their loss. The afflicted family
have the sympathy of the entire commu-
nity.
STOW.
Mrs. O. H. Day is very poorly.
L. Emerson is preparing to stock his
store.
Warren Emerson stopped with A. Em-
erson, Saturday night.
Fred Garland was in Stow, last week,
visiting at Frank Emery's.
Elmer Brackett is driving team for
Ralph Emerson, this winter.
Mrs. Hannah Emerson is visiting her
sister, Mrs. Asa Charles, at West Frye-
burg.
Corra Emerson celebrated her birthday
with a bad cold which everybody seems
to be having.
Ethel Guntill and Georgie Walker had
a birthday party, Feb. 10. All report a
very pleasant evening, and we hope they
will have many pleasant birthdays.
SWEDEN.
Charles Berry died, Feb. 7th, after an
illness of only one week, aged 67 years.
Mr. Berry has been a very hard working
man through life. He has worked in
the woods either chopping or driving a
team for thirty winters or more. He was
honest in his dealing and was liked by
all who knew him. He was a kind hus-
band and father and was very much re-
spected in the neighborhood where he
lived. He leaves a wife, two sons, and
two brothers, Ira Berry of Saco, and Sam-
uel B. of Lebanon, N. H., to mourn the
loss of their father, also many friends.
The relatives from away were Samuel B.
Berry of Lebanon, N. H., and Mrs.
Schute of Saco. Services were at the
home, Rev. Mr. Stone of Fryeburg officiat-
ing. Singing by the Lovell choir.

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Supreme Judicial Court.
The rest of last week, the court con-
tinued along, giving a good many hear-
ings, particularly on divorce cases.
Friday morning, the Grand Jury re-
ported several indictments. As made
public we give them.
Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada,
crucifix to animals in transportation.
Henry A. Mills, cheating by false pretenses.
Lewis Meader, common seller of intoxicating
liquors.
Willie E. Meader, common seller of intoxicat-
ing liquors.
George L. Thurlow and Clarence Thurlow,
breaking and entering and larceny.
One indictment has not been made
public.
Willie E. Meader of Dixfield on ac-
count of two liquor charges—search and
seizure, single sale—paid fines and costs
amounting to \$150.
In the Buckfield village corporation
tax cases, appealed from a pro forma
decision of the Norway Municipal Court,
His Honor ruled that the tax was legal
and must be paid. Carlton Gardner and
Merritt Parsons to recover for tax
paid under protest, claiming it to be
illegal.
Geo. W. Keene of Poland, appellant
from the Norway Municipal Court paid
costs and costs amounting to \$26 and the
charge of cruelty was not proved. His
principal defense was lack of jurisdic-
tion, the misdemeanor if committed,
having occurred in Androsoggin Coun-
ty. The law provides that jurisdiction
be where the animal may be found,
and Judge Foster believes the law is con-
stitutional.
George D. Bisbee of Rumford Falls,
Jesse M. Libby of Mechanic Falls, and
John B. Robinson of Oxford are the com-
mittees appointed to decide the case of
road recently located in Lovell, against
which appeal is made from the county
commissioners.
The case of Emily L. Fuller, libellant,
vs. Jesse E. Fuller, went to trial before
the first jury, Monday morning. This
was a long continued divorce case, the
wife asking for a decree of freedom from
matrimonial bonds for cruel and abusive
treatment, non support, and gross and
confirmed habits of intoxication, the
latter being the principal plea. Jescus
Atwood for plaintiff. The defense was
a general and detailed denial of all the
charges and a counter claim that the
bell in the home was made by the wife.
Sawyer for defendant. Tuesday, the
case was given to the jury who worked
a long time and then rendered a verdict
granting a divorce. The case goes to
the law court on motion for a new trial.
Following that work was begun on the
case of Jesse E. Fuller vs. Edwin How-
ard. Mr. Fuller went from Hart-
ford to Auburn, he left with Mr. How-
ard, who is his father-in-law, a horse,
some farming implements and other
property to be disposed of. This was
an action of trover to recover \$250 for
that property which is claimed by Mr.
Howard never settled for. The defend-
ant was a claim that he performed his work
in full as the plaintiff's agent and ac-
counted for same. Sawyer for prosecu-
tion, Wright for defense. The second
jury heard the case and rendered a ver-
dict in favor of the plaintiff. At 9
o'clock, Thursday morning, a verdict
was not reached.
C. C. Ackroyd of Portland brings the
next action, a suit against officer John
A. Decker of Rumford Falls for false ar-
rest.
Other cases will keep court going till
next week.
Sheriff Porter came over, Monday. He
has been confined to the house with in-
flammation of the eyes.
Wednesday, clerk of courts Whitman
was laid up with sickness. His Honor
took charge of the books and kept the
wheels of justice moving.
Divorces have been granted as follows:
Agnes E. Shurtleff vs. Walter C. Walter,
for cruel and abusive treatment. Har-
riet Blake, for cruel and abusive treat-
ment. Mary A. DeCoster from Jacob C. DeCoster,
for cruel and abusive treatment. No
support. Custody of minor children to
mother.
George A. Kelley from Frank R. Kelley, for
non support. Custody of child to mother.
Wm. Willard vs. Mary E. Willard, from C.
Whitman of Wisconsin. Desertion.
Mildie E. McDonald of Woodstock from Allen
McDonald of Langley Vasslation. Gross and
confirmed habits of intoxication.
Aldie M. Coles vs. George W. Coles, from David E.
Coles of Quincy, Mass. Desertion.
Mary E. Sparrow of Bethel from John W.
Sparrow of Easton, Mass. Desertion.
Jennie M. Richardson of Woodstock from
Jennie M. Richardson of Groverston, N. H. Cruel
and abusive treatment.
Julius Judson of Norway from Nellie M.
Judson of Haverhill, Mass. Adultery.
Annie L. Richardson of Norway from Wiley
A. Richardson of New York. Desertion.
Ada E. Curtis of Porter from Charles F.
Curtis of Portland, N. B. Non support. Custody
of minor child to mother.
Mary E. Pierce of Hebron from Lincoln R.
Pierce of No. Easton, Mass. Desertion.

Paris Teachers' Next Meeting.
At the meeting of the Paris teachers,
Saturday last, at 1.30 p. m., Prof.
F. A. Robinson, Supt. of Schools and
principal of the High School in Mexico,
will give an address. Those of the
teachers who heard Prof. Robinson at
Rumford Falls will wish to hear him
again. Some of the topics proposed for
discussion are as follows:
1. Points wherein a teacher is most
liable to fail, first, from the superin-
tendent's standpoint; second, from the
teacher's standpoint; third, from the
parent's standpoint.
2. Should a pupil be taught anything
for future oblivion, as all the dates in
history, etc.
3. To what extent should the teacher
be acquainted with the pupils' home life?
4. How should the teacher proceed
from the object to its symbol, from the
idea to the word, or vice versa?
5. Which should be taken up first in
the recitation, the explanation of the
lesson, or the presentation of the
lesson for the day, or the review of the
previous lesson.
6. Which should be taken up first,
common or decimal fractions?
7. What are some of the methods by
which the multiplication table may be
learned?
ELM HILL.—School closed, last Friday.
Fred DeCoster's flock of hens laid 45%
doz. eggs during January.
Howard Swan has sold his colt to
Frank Fogg of South Paris.
James Swan of West Bethel spent last
Sunday with his Paris relatives.
The friends of Harry Ellis, who lost
his horse, last week, have generously
given him a purse of money, to enable
him to repair his loss.
The friends of Freeland Swan, who
had a shock, last week, that paralyzed
his left side, will be sorry to learn that
he continues about the same.
Last Saturday, while Philip Mason of
Paris was on his way to the village, he
shot an immense owl of a species known
as the "great gray owl." It was an un-
usually fine specimen, with a wing
spread of 58 inches. H. L. Swift has it
to mount.

BETHEL.
Detective Wornell went to Portland
on business, Wednesday.
Tuesday night brought us another
snow storm of about 12 inches and still
coming Wednesday morning.
If the items of news are not very fully
reported from Bethel, this week, the
readers will please charge the same to a
four days' mump under the right ear of
the correspondent.
The Reception.
There were about fifty couples, stu-
dents and invited guests, on the floor in
the grand march, and nearly as many
seated and standing around the hall.
At the close of the entertainment all re-
turned to their homes feeling that they
had enjoyed one of the pleasantest oc-
casions of the season. It will be just to all
interested to give a word here in ex-
planation of the reception being given by
the students of Gould Academy, on the
evening of Thursday, February 11th, the
celebration of the opening of the new
academy building. But this recep-
tion had been anticipated for some
weeks and the evening decided upon;
and frequently by the advice of interested
friends the arrangements were carried
out as originally intended.
The concert given by the Bethel Festi-
val chorus, Thursday evening, was a
brilliant success. Many talents were as-
sisted by C. L. Doe and E. A. Steady of
Berlin, N. H., and Florence Chipman.
Following is the program:
Chorus, Hail to the Happy Bride Day, from
Luna.....Miss Gibson and Chorus
Duet, Excelsior, Balle.....Mr. C. L. Doe
Solo, All in a Garden Fair, Watson.....
Chorus, and the Glory of the Lord, from the
Messiah.....Mr. B. C. Steady
Quartet, The Lost Chord, arr. by Anderson.....
Misses Gibson, Verne, and Fred
Saxophone Solo, Love's Sorrow, Shelly.....
Chorus, Departure, Mendelssohn.....
Solo, The Song of the Lark, from the
Violin Solo, Scene de Ballet, Berlin.....
Solo, Billie.....Florence Chipman
Chorus, When Daylight's Going, from La Som-
nambula.....Mr. B. C. Steady
Frisson Scene, from the Violoncello.....
Solo, F. B. Tull, Leonard; Mr. B. C. Stead-
er, Manrico; and a chorus of Nurses.....
Methodist Ministers Meet.
The annual meeting of the clergy of
Lewiston District was held at Bethel,
this week, beginning on Monday even-
ing and continuing till Wednesday noon.
The opening was a praise service led
by Prof. W. S. Wright. It was followed
by a sermon from Rev. G. D. Holmes,
the able pastor of the church at Brun-
swick.
Tuesday morning, Rev. C. H. Young
of North Auburn opened the day's work
by leading a devotional service. Ad-
dresses were given by the forenoon on
"The Significance and Probable Out-
come of the Mills Music Hall Movement"
by Rev. H. L. Williams of Lisbon and
Rev. E. S. Stackpole of Auburn; "How
far can Evangelical Churches Unite with
Liberal Churches in a Religious Plat-
form?" by Rev. J. T. Crosby of Bath and
Rev. G. D. Stanley of Oxford; "Needs of
Present-Day Preaching" by Rev. A. W.
Potter of Bowdoinham and Rev. C. A.
Brooks of Yarmouth.
Tuesday afternoon, Rev. A. T. Craig
led the opening devotional service. He
was followed by Rev. Alexander Hamil-
ton, the pastor of the church, who relat-
ed the fascinating story of the remark-
able vicissitudes of "Methodism in
Bethel." From his historical sketch it
appears that Rev. Nicholas Sneathen of
the Portland circuit first visited Bethel
in 1798. John Martin, a local preacher,
took an active part in the work. One
result was a visit from Rev. Joshua Tay-
lor, the presiding elder, who arranged
for fortnightly preaching. In the spring
of 1800 the conference was held at Lynn
and Rev. Joseph Baker was assigned to
Bethel and R. M. Rumford. That same year
the church was twice struck by light-
ning, once during service when a Mrs.
Magill was killed. The first class leader
was Nathaniel Segur. Later another
chapel was built at Locke's Corner. In
1832 Rumford circuit was set off. Many
of the early circuit preachers have
achieved distinction, and one, Joshua
Soule was an eminent bishop. In 1859-60
during the pastorate of Rev. E. Davies,
a neat and convenient church was erect-
ed, Sept. 18, 1861, it was destroyed by
a cyclone, and every pew as well as
walls, roof, steeple and contents being
totally wrecked. The next year a com-
fortable church of modern design was
erected, and dedicated, free from debt,
on the 14th of February, 1869. The pres-
ent pastor, Rev. Alexander Hamilton, is
a good worker, and church and parish
are in a prosperous condition. The
present resident membership is about
150.
Hamilton was followed by Rev.
G. B. Hannaford with a paper on "Meth-
odism in Oxford County." Rev. D. B.
Holt of Bridgton spoke on "Changes in
Methodism During the Century." Rev.
W. B. Eldridge of Norway on "Influence
of Methodism on Other Denominations,"
and Rev. G. B. Hannaford again address-
ed the meeting, this time on "Distinctive
Methodist Doctrines."
Tuesday evening, Rev. F. A. Leitch of
Gorham, N. H., gave an exhaustive dis-
course on the subject of "Our Might
Methodism."
Wednesday morning, Rev. A. Rich-
ardson of Bethel led a devotional service.
Rev. A. K. Bryant of West Paris and
Rev. W. B. Barber of South Waterford
discussed the viability of the district
the district ministerial meeting. Rev.
I. A. Bean of South Paris, Rev. H. A.
Pearce of Naples and Rev. Wm. Bragg of
Waterford had a debate over the advan-
tages or disadvantages of a district min-
isterial lay conference. Rev. H. C. Wil-
son and Rev. F. A. Leitch spoke on
means for increasing knowledge of the
Bible among Methodists. Rev. J. H.
Trask and Rev. D. E. Miller of Bath
discussed work of committees. The
meeting closed with two book reviews,
Zeno's Elements of Higher Criticism re-
viewed by Presiding Elder Corey and
Hall Caine's "The Christian" reviewed
by Rev. J. L. Hoyle of Rumford Falls.
Much interest was manifested in com-
ing conference to be held at Norway in
April.

A. D. Ellingwood, formerly editor of
the Bethel News, but now of Morrisville
Vt., is in Bethel at Dr. J. G. Gehring's.
Mr. Ellingwood is in poor health, seem-
ingly from over work and overtaxation
of his nervous system.
The remains of Stephen Russell, a
native of Bethel, but more recently of
Augusta, were brought to Bethel for
burial, last Tuesday. On arrival here
the remains were taken in charge by Mt.
Abram Lodge of Odd Fellows of which
the deceased was an honored member.
Mr. Russell was a jeweler by trade.
Friday evening the teachers and stu-
dents of Gould Academy gave a recep-
tion in Odeon Hall. Mrs. A. E. Horrick
and Mrs. G. R. Wiley received. There
was music, some recitations and pleas-
ant social intercourse. Refreshments
were served by the students. The prison
scene from "Ivanhoe," which was
have been given at the concert, Thurs-
day evening, but which was interrupted
by the alarm of fire, was made a part
of the evening's performance and much
enjoyed.
More about Gould Academy Fire.
It was discovered about 10.15. At that
time the fire had broken out on the
south side wall up near the eaves, and
was coming through the roof in several
places. Both hose companies were soon
on the grounds, one taking the inside
and the other working outside. The fire
was all in all, it happened, however, the
cently used by the students. The hose
men who went inside, on reaching the
upper floor could see nothing for the
dense smoke which filled the apartment,
but laying close to the floor they put on
the water, throwing it in every direction.
About this time, Mr. Childs of the News
office succeeded in raising the trap door
leading to the belfry, letting out the
smoke and relieving the firemen, who
worked with the coolness of more expe-
rienced men. The hook and ladder com-
pany were also on hand, and the firemen
handling the outside hose were soon
upon the roof of the building, where
they could readily play upon any point
where the fire appeared. But about fif-
teen minutes it seemed doubtful which
would win, the fire or firemen. But the
second fifteen minutes resulted in favor
of the firemen. The roof was burned
through in very many places and some
of the rafters so nearly consumed that
the carpenters were obliged to stay
them up before going upon the outside
to patch up the holes. The building
was insured with Wm. J. Wheeler,
agent, for \$4,000, in two companies, and
the furniture was insured for \$1000.
Mr. Wheeler was in town the next day
and put on carpenters to repair the roof
temporarily until damage could be ad-
justed. Cause of fire unknown.
Prof. Hanscome has made arrange-
ments to transfer some of the desks
from the academy into our brick school
building and finish the winter term of
the academy—two weeks more—in the
latter building. It opened, Wednesday
of this week.
WATERFORD.
I. F. Jewett is so he walks out a little.
A bouncing baby boy at Lew Milllet's.
Harriet Knight is boarding at L. G.
Stone's.
Wm. Doten and family were at L. G.
Stone's, Sunday.
W. V. Kneeland lost one of his team
horses, last week.
Rev. T. S. Ferry preached at the Con-
gregational church, Sunday.
Wm. Kingman has a big toe, the re-
sult of a collision with a fork tine.
Josiah Plummer who was seriously in-
jured, some time ago, is gaining but not
out yet, I think.
Jennie Burnham is home for her vaca-
tion. She is connected with the schools
at Groveton, N. H.
F. M. Atherton has lost two cows, re-
cently, from contamination of the intes-
tines, it is supposed.
We hear that Rev. C. L. Skinner and
wife, formerly of this place, now of Ha-
verhill, N. H., are rejoicing over the
arrival of a fine boy. We congratulate
them.
Died in Waterford, Sunday, Feb. 13th,
Joel S. Plummer, aged about 65 years.
October 23d, 1837. Mr. Plummer had the
misfortune to break one of his legs, and
as he was in a feeble state or health it
refused to knit. After many weeks of
suffering it was decided that his only
chance of life lay in amputation, which
operation was performed, last Friday,
by Dr. Thompson of Portland, but he
failed to rally and quietly and painless-
ly passed away. He will be missed in
this community as he was a man of
stirling integrity, a kind husband and
father, a prominent member of the
Congregational church and of Mt.
Tir'em Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he
had filled the office of treasurer for six-
teen consecutive years; also at the time
of his death he was acting as treasurer
of the town. Truly we can say a good
honest christian man has gone from us.
PARIS.
The sick people are reported to be
gaining.
M. P. Shaw has bought the Barrows
house on Tremont street and will move
there soon.
The oldest inhabitant, or one of the
oldest, prophesied fair weather for Wed-
nesday. Don't do it again, please.
The lecture by Albert W. Dyer of
Portland at the Baptist church, this
Thursday evening, promises to be very
fine. Subject, From Sunrise to Sunset
Seas.
Miss E. G. Harlow closed a very suc-
cessful term at Paris primary school,
Friday, Feb. 11th. These scholars had
not been absent during the term: Eu-
gene Hamard, Bond Doe, Freelle Doe,
Percy Turner, Will Atwood, John Cole,
Edward Eastman, Maud Newell.
The entertainment by the pupils of
P. H. A. was a very successful one. The
play, The Flower of the Family, was
finely rendered by the following cast of
characters:
Abner Howland.....Charlie Ryerson
Tom Howland, his nephew.....Richard Eastman
Oscar Loring, ward of Howland.....
Gustavus the viability.....Percy
Polley Newcome, insurance agent.....Will Pratt
Finley Spofford, the duke.....Horace Roberts
Mrs. Howland, a widow.....Bertha Colburn
Alice Howland, adopted daughter.....Katy Royal
NORTH NORWAY.
E. O. French sent off a car load of ap-
ples, Monday.
Harriet and Arthur Bonny came from
Portland to attend their father's funeral,
last week.
We have been informed that the pre-
siding elder, Rev. J. A. Corey, is ex-
pected to preach at the chapel, the 24th.
Roy Marston disappeared from view,
the 14th, and 20 men spent part of the
night searching for him. He was found
the next day near Greenwood city on the
way to Andover afoot. It would have
been quite a walk for a boy 11 years old,

By P. DEMING.

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I also like to do any other printing,
e of programs, invitations, tickets,
our school may need.

ADVERTISER, Norway, Me.

School Supervision.

We publish below, an epitome of letters received in response to our article, last week, advocating a union of the towns of Norway and Paris for school supervision. That it would be an advantage from a business standpoint and a benefit to the schools, at but little if any added cost, are facts generally admitted without question by people with whom we have talked. But the letters speak for themselves.

A Mother's Idea.

As one deeply interested, from a mother's standpoint I think it would be an excellent idea, as the past year there has been a marked improvement in our schools, but there is still room for more. Our present Superintendent is faithfully working towards a high standard. I trust the matter will be agitated until the desired end is attained.

Mrs. BENJA. SWERT.

South Paris.

A Former Norway Principal Writes.

Your last week's editorial concerning local school supervision was so interesting to me that I welcome the invitation to express an "opinion on the subject." Skilful supervision is one of the most urgent needs of Maine schools. The regular officers of Norway and Paris are interested in the work, as your reports of teachers' meetings have shown from time to time, but no one would declare sooner than they the impossibility of giving adequate attention to the schools under the current regime. Tanglewood, town in the State in which a high degree of advancement is possible under the existing conditions. With limited time at his disposal and with business filling his thoughts, no man could keep in touch with educational ideas so fully as he ought to secure the highest results, even though he were paid a living salary instead of a pittance scarcely sufficient for greasing the educational machine.

In school matters, we have followed too religiously the injunction to "take no thought for the morrow." It is an easy and rather pleasant way to live, but the one who lives in that way, dies in his first tracks. In educational work, the "morrow" must always be considered. For this reason, a broad outlook, familiarity with the culture-history of the race, firm grasp of hygienic principles, sound knowledge of school economy, and teaching power are absolutely necessary to the proper management of the schools.

It is not enough to set them going and leave them to run themselves. Nor is the work complete when questions have been prepared for an occasional examination. Teachers need help and encouragement. The superintendent ought to have the time as well as the equipment for giving it. Teachers' classes are as necessary as primer classes. Something like the Pedagogium of Vienna, so arranged that teachers may attend after the school day is over, is worthy of being given a place in every town. The superintendent should take charge and help his teachers to help themselves to better work. One of the brightest superintendents in England has lived up to a maxim of his own, viz. "If I am the superintendent's first duty to teach teachers how to teach," and his schools call visitors from both the East and the West.

In recent years, educators have been studying more and more the growth of the school systems of France, Germany and Sweden. In each of these countries, there was only an aimless beating about until supervision was the watchword. We have learned the lesson more or less perfectly. The plea for better supervision has been ringing all over the United States for a decade. Dr. Harris has urged it from Washington. Leading superintendents and educators from Cape Cod to St. Francis have joined in a unanimous cry. The teachers of Maine have long hoped to see it general in the State.

Although county supervision is the prevailing form in about thirty states, it is commonly conceded to be insufficient. The "district plan" is much more satisfactory. This plan, generally adopted in Massachusetts, is so much like that suggested in your columns, that a very brief sketch of its history may help to show that your proposal is neither a bubble nor a momentary fancy.

In 1854, a law was passed by the Massachusetts Legislature, permitting towns to employ a superintendent who should act as agent for the School Board. Of course this was possible only for large towns, eighty-nine of which availed themselves of the privilege. This was the experimental stage of supervision. Its results were favorable.

In 1870, a law was enacted, which permitted "two or more towns to unite" for the support of a superintendent. Twelve towns combined themselves into six districts as a result.

Up to 1888, no provision had been made for State assistance. A law of that year provided that towns with a valuation not exceeding \$2,500,000 might unite in districts containing not less than thirty nor more than fifty schools, to hire a superintendent. It was further provided that every district so formed should receive from the State \$1,000, one-half of which was to go toward the salary of the superintendent and the other to assist in paying the teachers in the towns forming the district. The towns together must raise at least \$750 in order to get the State aid. One hundred and nine towns accepted the provisions of the enactment during the next six years and in 1894 two hundred and ten of the three hundred and fifty-two towns of the State had superintendents. Other districts have been formed since then, and more towns are wheeling into line.

Maine has one excellent example of a superintendency of two cities. It is a purely mutual arrangement between Deering and Westbrook. In consequence, both have enjoyed the benefit of the intelligent and very efficient work of Mr. F. E. C. Robbins for nearly ten years. The wisdom of the plan is clearly shown in the great progress of the schools during the interval.

Massachusetts schools claim as advantages under the plan:

1. Improved schoolhouses.
2. Better supplies and furnishings.
3. A higher grade of teachers.
4. Better scholarship in pupils going out into life.
5. Better means for money expended.
6. More complete organization.

You have shown that the additional cost of management would be slight if Norway and Paris were to unite. I believe that with an efficient man to direct the work the schools of the two towns named might be doubled in efficiency within ten years, and I hope that your suggestion will be favorably acted upon by both towns at the coming municipal elections.

M. H. SKALE.
Clark University, Worcester, Mass.

We have received a number of other

letters from people directly interested in our schools. Of those writing, to thus far one is opposed. Press of work crowds out a good deal of interesting matter on this topic, which we will lay before our readers as soon as possible. We would like to hear from more, as we cannot grant a general expression of opinion on this important subject.

EAST WATERFORD.

The hen fever is raging high in this vicinity.

Carl and Loring Pride are logging to Haskell's mill.

Uncle James Chadbourn is confined to the house by rheumatism.

No mail, Tuesday night. The driver passed us by without even the civilities of a good evening.

The neighborhood turned out en masse, Friday last, and cut and packed an ample supply of ice for George Hill-ton, a very commendable feat.

Rumor says that work will be resumed on the railway soon as the spring opens. We await the result, as it is evident that many important matters must first be adjusted.

Mrs. Ira Johnson, sen., is very low and apparently failing rapidly. Her extreme age, 89 years, precludes all idea of her recovery. Her daughter, Mrs. Hattie Merrill of Norway, is caring for her.

Mrs. Holt is said to be decidedly better with fair prospect of recovery. For many years she was a sufferer from sciatica and salt rheum, which some two years since evidently cured her, since which she has been an invalid a large portion of the time. It has now as suddenly reappeared, which most people look on as the cause of all her suffering.

Otis Martin has a Jersey and Holstein grade heifer, two years old Feb. 1. At the age of 10 months she dropped her first calf which was sold when five weeks old for \$5.00. Since that time she has furnished milk for a family of three persons, and made 65 pounds of butter, an average of 11 ounces per day. She is fed fair stock hay and one pint each of oat and corn meal three times per day. Pretty well for so young a heifer.

Much growling is heard, especially from the teamsters, at the bad condition of our roads, which were not properly broken after the late heavy storms, consequently are very narrow and hardly passable. The highways and their repairs were left in the hands of the selectmen and by some misunderstanding no one felt in duty bound to look after them, consequently the roads have got in very bad shape.

DIXFIELD CENTRE.

One open week in mid winter was very welcome.

The many friends of J. J. Holman are glad to see him out again.

School here closes, Friday night, Feb. 18th, with a drama and entertainment in Hiram Holman's hall.

Scott Philbrick went to Monmouth, last week, and bought a large pair of black horses. Weight about 2900.

Our pastor gave us a missionary sermon, last Sunday. Bear in mind a good sermon every Sunday at 2.30 p. m.

The question, Resolved, that an education is more beneficial to a young man than a fortune, was decided in the affirmative at the lyceum, last Friday evening.

We attended the Farmers' Institute at West Peru, Friday, Feb. 11th, and felt well paid for going. The speaker spoke very highly of the cream separator and said we'd all got to come to it. He said when you cannot get 2 cents per pound for sweet corn plant yellow corn, and if cut (ears and all) at the proper time and put into silo it was of equal value.

PORTER VILLAGE.

John Keniston is quite sick.

Alphonso Sawyer is on the sick list again.

Warren Libby is spending a few days in Portland.

Amos Mason has sold his parrot to a man in Berlin Falls for \$20.

Mrs. Joseph Rice scalded her hand quite badly, a few days ago.

Harry Brooks of Eaton is logging' and boards at Daniel Wentworth's.

There were no services at the church, Sunday, on account of bad roads.

Freeman Mason of Newmarket is visiting his brother, William Mason.

George Libby is at work for James Black, Melvin village, driving team.

Learned Chamberlin of Boston is the guest of Amos Blazo for a few days.

Jesse Bickford is hauling birch timber for Charles French of Kezar Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles French were made happy, the 6th, with a boy baby.

Lyman Brooks has closed his store for a few weeks. He is looking after a rent.

William Wescott is moving to Cornish village, where he will go to keeping house.

Mrs. Everett Wentworth is visiting her mother, Mrs. Garland Limerick, for a few days.

Isaac Hubbard has returned to his home from Farmington, where he has been at work.

The loggers are having a hard time of it this way, as it takes most of their time breaking roads.

Mrs. Daniel Wentworth is quite lame with Rheumatism and is unable to go without crutches.

John Rounds of Cornish came very near losing his horse, a few days ago, by getting cast in the stall.

For a few days a tramp has been hanging around in our village. He ought to be sent to the work house.

Joseph Rice is gaining slowly and is able to do his work, for which he feels very thankful as he has been confined to the house most of the time, this winter.

Arthur Gilman and his sister had a tip over. While turning his horse to go home, they were thrown out, the horse dragging him some ways before he would let go. The horse ran down Main street. Fortunately no damage was done.

EAST BROWNFIELD.

Marion Giles has gone to Gorham to attend school.

Mrs. James Adams, who has been confined to her bed for several weeks, is slowly recovered.

Rev. Mr. Allis of North Conway will lecture at the Congregational church, Monday evening, Feb. 21.

The Lincoln Memorial service at the Congregational church, last Sunday, was well attended. Quite a delegation of G. A. R. members were present. Rev. Mr. Sargent gave a very interesting and able discourse on the subject, "America's debt to its men of piety."

Advised Letters, Norway.
Clay & Co. Thomas E. Foss, Geo. W. Sears, E. J. F. Foss, Mrs. Florence Winslow, Mrs. Mary B.

Lincoln Day in Norway Schools.

Lincoln's birthday which came on last Saturday was observed on the previous day in four of our village schools, first and second intermediate, advanced primary and middle primary. It was remembered that Washington's birthday was in the near future, and the exercises were made commemorative of those two greatest American statesmen. Visitors were accommodated with seats brought in for the purpose.

In the advanced primary, Cora Belle Shedd, teacher, the room was prettily decorated with flags and evergreens, large portraits of Lincoln and Washington stood on either side of the teacher's desk and a small table in front had some beautiful red, white and blue hyacinths. There were twenty-five citizens present to listen to the following program:

Salute to flag..... School
Three American Heroes..... Lucy Frost
A Boy's Poem on Washington..... Vera Merrill
A War Time Valentine..... Fred Merrill
The Tribute to Washington, a dialogue.....
Boynton, Florence Gray, Fannie
Song, Crown Washington..... School
Lincoln's Youth..... George Leavitt
Like Lincoln..... Ray Emery
Nor Like Washington..... Fred Merrill
The Boynton, Florence Gray, Fannie
Song, Crown Washington..... School
Lincoln's Youth..... George Leavitt
Like Lincoln..... Ray Emery
Nor Like Washington..... Fred Merrill

Our Flag, and flag salute..... School
Crown Lincoln..... School
Our Three American Heroes..... Edith Parker
Lincoln's Books..... Winfield Kimball
Auntie or Washington..... Alice Libby
A Song of Lincoln..... School
Song, Dear Old Village..... Winfield
Every Year..... Winfield
Lincoln's Birthday..... Violet Swan
George Washington..... Mildred Cole
Good Old Times..... Carl Stone
Nor George Washington..... Evelyn Hazen
A Boy's Poem on Washington..... Arthur Hayden
When Lincoln Was a Boy (written by Mrs. Alma Pendexter Hayden)..... Arthur Hayden
Proclamation..... Elmer Townsend
The Story of the Emancipation Proclamation..... Elmer Townsend
Special Lincoln Exercise.....

Singing..... Vivian Akers and school
Singing..... Fannie and Ullah Truman
Independence Bell..... Nellie Dunham
Flag Drill.....

In the second intermediate, Annie Lafarier, teacher—large pictures of Lincoln, Washington, and the Landing of the Pilgrims were draped with flags and evergreens as were also the walls. Blackboards were covered with patriotic subjects. The singing of Our Flag and the Lincoln dialogue seemed to be especially pleasing to the visitors of whom there were a goodly number. The program was:

Columbia, Gem of the Ocean..... School
Washington and Lincoln..... Benj. Libby
Which Side Are You On?..... Annie Danforth
A Boy's Poem on Washington..... Vera Merrill
The Schoolhouse Flag..... Gertrude Eldridge
George Washington..... Eeva Mäkelä
Lincoln's Life..... Eeva Mäkelä
Lincoln's Birthday..... Eeva Mäkelä
Lincoln..... Myron Paragard
Like Washington..... Roy Cole
Singing, Star Spangled Banner, and pantomime

This is the Flag for Me..... By girls
Flag salute..... Mary Louise
Dialogue, Love and Liberty..... Frank Russell
War Time Valentine..... Ivy Russell
Winter's Song..... Mary Louise
George Washington..... Blanche McAllister
Good Old Times..... Mabel Locke
Song of Lincoln..... School
Lincoln's Youth..... Eeva Mäkelä
American Flag..... Eeva Mäkelä
A Boy's Troubles..... Herbert Libby
One of the People..... Eeva Mäkelä
Our Flag..... Roy Cole
Singing..... Gertrude Eldridge, Eeva Mäkelä
Three Cheers for the Brave..... Ethel Millett
Little Things..... Eeva Mäkelä
Crown Lincoln..... Annie Gibson
Singing, Our Flag..... School

The Middle Primary, Mercy Millett, teacher, are all very small students, but they entered into the exercises with a vim and will to succeed and they did. In this room they more than filled the provided school-room seats. The room was decorated with small flags, evergreen wreaths and pictures. The children were "awfully quivering." One little girl felt badly and cried because she did not have a pretty new dress to wear like the others, but had to wear her school dress. We could not see but she looked just as pretty and sweet. Another at the close of her recitation was supposed to suppose a wreath on the picture of Lincoln. This she forgot to do till she reached her seat. Then she suddenly remembered she had left an important duty undone and hastened to perform the gracious act. The following was the program:

Song of Washington..... School
Like Washington..... Homer Tubbs
Three Emblems..... Three Girls
Grateful Children..... School
Like Lincoln..... Wesley Etheridge
Like Washington..... Harry Horne
True Soldiers..... Josie Hayes
Children Sing..... School
His Native Land..... Annie Snow
A Brave Company..... Four Boys
Winter Jewels..... Daisy Winalls
Russey Lesson..... Six Little Girls
The Last Pie..... Harry Tait
My Country..... Clayton Walker
Marching Through Georgia..... School
E. B. Boy's Experience..... Hattie Mains
A Promise..... Clara Louise Hathaway
Dates in Washington..... Five Girls
Ours..... Hobart Ames
Serve Our Country..... Eeva Allen
The Old Oak..... Owen Rich
Washington's Birthday..... Owen Rich
What is Right?..... Eeva Mäkelä
My Country's Boy..... Wesley Etheridge
Two Little Sisters.....

George Washington..... Oscar Hobbs
Our Flag..... Eeva Mäkelä
Crown Lincoln..... Eeva Mäkelä
Soldiers' Drill..... School

OTISFIELD.
A gentleman recently from Worcester, Mass., hospital informs us that two Italian were there for treatment, one for a broken leg, the other for a gunshot wound in the shoulder, both received in the great Dago fight at Westport. He held long conversations with them, and says they positively state that two of their number were murdered by their own men and buried in the wood just behind the camp.

Advised Letters, Norway.
Clay & Co. Thomas E. Foss, Geo. W. Sears, E. J. F. Foss, Mrs. Florence Winslow, Mrs. Mary B.

OXFORD.

Ross Farris is on the sick list.

Henry Chaplin has been quite sick for the past week.

Byron Kimball of Bridgton was in town last week.

Harry Eaton was in town over Sunday to attend the funeral of his father.

The base ball boys held a meeting, Feb. 7th, to decide matters for the coming season.

Feb. 8th, Callie, infant child of James and Lilly Kay, died of pneumonia, aged 7 months and 8 days.

Daniel Eaton, who has been sick for some time past with Bright's disease, passed away, Feb. 12th. His remains were taken to Turner for interment.

A small party of friends gathered at the home of Master Leon Cash, Friday evening, Feb. 11th, the occasion being his 8th birthday. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Died, Feb. 11, D. P. Eaton, aged about 60 years. The remains were taken to Turner, Monday, for burial.

There will be no services in the Congregational church, Sunday, owing to the absence of the pastor, Rev. S. A. Abraham.

Many from this place hope to attend the prize speaking contest of the Gould Academy, Feb. 25. A special train will be run that night.

A concert for the benefit of the Oxford Cornet Band, Wednesday evening, a dance on Saturday evening in Robinson Hall and an illustrated lecture in the Congregational church, Saturday evening are the events in Oxford, this week.

Died, Feb. 8th, Callie Ouida, youngest daughter of James B. Kaye, aged 7 months. In a family of seven promising children this was the first visitation of death, and young as this little one was sadly she missed in the dear home circle.

Horace H. Hall, a former resident of Norway, but for some years living in Orange, Mass., has been appointed book-keeper in the Robinson Manf. Co. and will soon move his family to Oxford. He will occupy the Joseph Robinson house.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.
John Cook is boarding at Oliver Fuller's.

The kerose oil we have got lately is terribly reduced.

Ethel Davis discovered a lively grasshopper, Sunday.

W. Andrews had a serious attack of heart trouble, Friday.

A. M. Andrews was on a business trip down the line, Thursday.

Lora McKee has been moved up to her sister's, Mrs. A. R. Henriksen's.

Clifford Perham has joined the forces at Capt. Dearborn's spool mill, Bryant's Pond.

Ethel Mixer and Maud Stephens have lately been initiated into the mysteries of Franklin Grange.

Andrews & Sons' new mouler is on the spot and doubtless will be running before this is in press.

We understand the physicians express little hope for Levi Proctor, who has a complication of troubles, chiefly Bright's disease.

Rev. H. C. Basney of North Deering preaches at the chapel, Thursday evening. A series of meetings will undoubtedly follow.

V. R. Thurlow has entered the R. R. office at West Paris, to learn the operator's trade and be of general assistance to Mr. Carr.

Eugene Richardson has entered a meat market at Rumford Falls as clerk and carter. He is an old hand and thoroughly understands the business.

EAST HEBRON.
Sickness is in nearly every family in this community.

Charles Russell and family moved to Newcom last Saturday.

A small drove of cattle passed through the place, last Saturday.

Mary Harris has gone to Scarborough and will remain there several weeks.

Martin Day and family left, last, Friday, for Providence, R. I., their former home.

Rev. W. L. Braden will be from home, next Sunday. A preacher from another location is expected to fill his place.

Fred Patch went away from A. G. Roberts, last week. He was Mr. Roberts' man who drove his horses, last season.

The roads were badly cut up, during the warm days of last week, and are in very poor condition for man or beast to travel on.

Algernon Staples lives alone in the old house C. T. Keene formerly lived in, and employs his time in making violins, said to be of superior work.

Daniel Keene came home sick from Peru, one week ago, but returned to his work, Saturday, being much better. His little daughter was very sick, last week, but is gaining.

Mrs. G. C. Keene is very sick. The doctor thinks her recovery doubtful. She has a nurse from Lewiston. Her brother, Isaac Pierson from Boston, came to see her, last week, and she knew him. She is very delirious since she became sick.

ALBANY.
"D. A. Cummings' little son Raymond is quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Twitchell visited her brother, E. T. Jenkins, and wife, last week.

Little Florence Clark spent last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Wilbur.

John Murdock, a former resident of this town, called on old friends and neighbors, last week.

Austin Hutchinson had his foot crushed in the woods, several weeks ago, from the effects of which he has not yet recovered.

Wilson Lawrence, a former townsman, now an employee of the firm, Jordan, Marsh & Co., Boston, sends news to his sister, Mrs. Lizzie Cummings, of the death of his wife, who has left him with two sons, the eldest but sixteen months.

NORWAY LAKE.
Miss Hall visited at David Flood's, Thursday.

Donald Partridge found some pussy willows, Feb. 16.

The Norway Lake Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. W. S. Partridge, Feb. 28.

The entertainment at the schoolhouse will be given, Monday, Feb. 21. It was postponed on account of the storm.

School finished in this district, last Friday. Willie Flood and Eldon Hall were not absent for the term. Agnes Billings and Donald Partridge were absent one day.

CASCO.

Oh, where are the valentines?

G. K. Hanson and wife are visiting at South Windham.

J. P. Wight visited his daughter, Mrs. E. A. Barton, on Sunday.

Daniel Spiller of Webb's Mills visited his friend, Cyrus Barton, on the 11th and 12th.

Tramps are quite plenty in this vicinity, two being on the road on Saturday, the 12th.

The weather has been quite warm for the past week, and the snow has settled about one foot, or that is what the men in the woods say.

Cyrus and Mae Barton and Daniel Spiller attended the exhibition at Casco village on the evening of the 12th, and they report a fine time.

We seem to be having March weather in February and likely we shall have February weather in March, but every day takes us nearer spring.

I. W. Keane of Mayberry hill has kept a profitable term of school in the Shadagee district. It closed on Feb. 12th. There were readings and recitations, and singing by the school, after which there was a spelling match. E. A. Barker attended the school and all thought the children did well.

NORTHWEST ALBANY.
Jim Uhlman is working for George Rolf.

Nalum Scribner of Mason was seen in this place, Sunday.

George Mason spent Thursday with her cousin, Mildred Rofe.

Cyrus Rolfe and wife made a pleasant call on Dr. Wiley's, Thursday.

In the Far West.
Minnewaukan, N. D., Feb. 8, 1898.

OXFORD COUNTY ADVERTISER.—We are always glad to get the ADVERTISER and read it carefully. We note that you are having much snow and cold weather. The winter here has been very still and pleasant. The sun shines brightly without a storm cloud from one week to another. The streets are dry. The base ball boys are having a hot game to-day, and ladies and gentlemen are having pleasant runs on their bicycles. Two men came up on their wheels, to-day, from Oberon, a North Dakota town eleven miles from here. One of them, a prominent wheelman of Antely Valley, says he has used his wheel every week this winter.

Our Presbyterian Pastor is taking of taking a 16 mile run on his wheel to Fort Totten to return a visit from Rev. Alfred Olson, an educated Sioux Indian, who is working as a Presbyterian Missionary among his own people. The Catholics are also doing a great work educating and civilizing the Indians, and the great Industrial School supported by the U. S. Government at Fort Totten is turning out carpenters, blacksmiths and harness-makers; while the Indian girls learn cooking, dressmaking, etc., besides devoting half of each school day to books. The influence of the educated young men and women is being felt all over the reservation. They have Sunday schools, Y. M. C. A. organizations and are improving morally as well as mentally. The franchise will be extended for the first time, next fall, to all Indians who have taken land, and the result will be watched with much interest.

The Indians have a splendid opportunity for profitable farming on their reservation holdings but most of them lack the energy and foresight to take advantage of it. It is not so with their white brothers, however, for they are prospering in all parts of the country.

Wheat is worth 80 cts. per bushel and it does not cost as much to raise it as it did four years ago, when it was only worth 40 cts. Farming land has also doubled in value in the last three or four years and is selling freely. The working force in the county offices has been doubled, this winter, to keep the records up to date.

Last year more settlers took homesteads in this land district than in any preceding year and we look for a much larger rush, this year. Whole neighborhoods of settlers with their families are reported to be coming from Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas, in addition to the usual quota from Minnesota, Wisconsin and the eastern states.

Yours respectfully,
WM. FLUMMER.

DEATHS.
In Andover, Feb. 10, to the wife of Charles T. Root, a son.

In Andover, Feb. 10, to the wife of L. D. Barrell, a son.

In South Paris, Feb. 14, to the wife of J. F. Henry, a daughter.

In Oxford, Feb. 9, to the wife of Winfield Gammon, a son.

In Lovell, to the wife of J. H. Fox, a daughter.

In Lovell, to the wife of Will Fox, a daughter.

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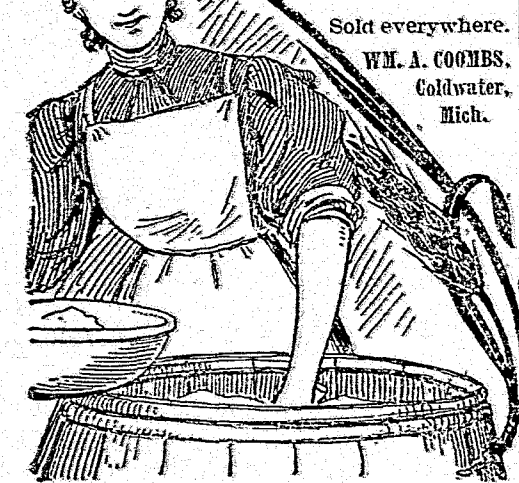
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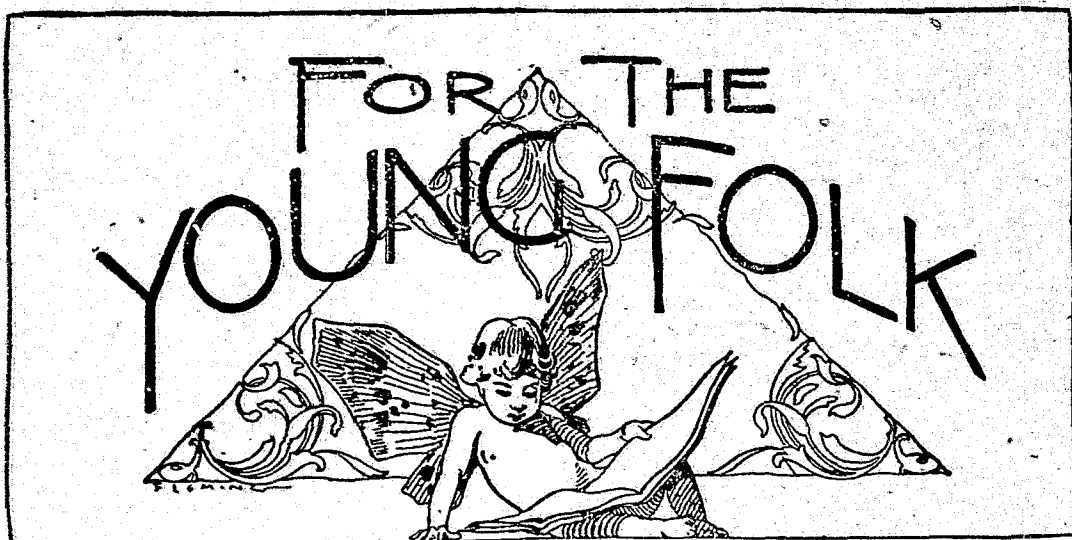
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TWO ROYAL SWEEPS.

The Garb in Which Two Little Prince-
lings Appeared at a Masquerade.

Who are these two cunning little
black chimney sweeps? They are sup-
plied with the regulation implements
—ladders, brooms, everything in order.
Only their little faces are not smudged
with soot.

They look as though they had been
engaged to creep through the narrowest
of stovepipes, on a cleaning errand
which no bigger sweep could accom-
plish.

These two diminutive sweeps, how-
ever, are the elect of their profession.
They are, in fact, a pair of princely
sweeps, one of them bearing the distinc-
tion of being a crown prince.

In the city of Dresden at the time
when the German emperor attended the
military jubilee of King Albert of Sax-
ony there was a great parade. The
young emperor and the aged king were
seen driven side by side with waving
plumes. Immediately after them, in
the following carriage, in long dresses,



PRINCE GEORGE.

In the solemn and military grandeur of
his baby bed, watched over carefully by
his nurse, was borne the elder of these
two little sweeps, the heir presumptive
of the royal throne of Saxony.

In the next carriage was seen the
young princeling's mother, her royal
highness Princess Louise of Saxony.
This beloved and beautiful woman,
publicly adored because of her grace and
amiability, is the mother of the two
little princes, George and Christian,
who recently a third little brother has
come to join.

The happy father of these boys, Prince
Frederick August of Saxony, who is des-
tined to wear the royal crown, is the
eldest nephew of King Albert, and the eld-
est son of his brother, the field mar-



PRINCE CHRISTIAN.

shal, Prince George of Saxony. The eld-
est little son, George, has therefore been
named after his grandfather.

The citizens of Dresden frequently
see these little princes in the new gar-
den of the renovated royal castle, play-
ing opposite the castle keep.

It need scarcely be added that the cos-
tumes of the two youngsters were de-
signed for and worn at a children's
masquerade at the court of Saxony. The
little princes are respectively 5 and 4
years old.

A Kind Voice.

You sometimes hear boys and girls
say words at play with a quick, sharp
tone, as if it were the snap of a whip.
If any of them gets vexed, you will hear
a voice which sounds as if it were made
up of a snarl, a whine and a bark. Such
a voice often speaks worse than the
heart feels. It shows more ill will in
tone than in words. Such as these get a
sharp voice for home use and keep their
best voice for those they meet elsewhere.

We would say to all girls and boys,
"Use your best voice at home." Watch
it by day as a pearl of great price, for
it will be worth more to you in the
days to come than the best pearl hid in
the sea. A kind voice is a lark's song to
heart and home.—Christian Work.

Charlie's Easy One.

When Charlie's mamma went up
stairs after he had been put to bed, she
found his eyes were closed, and he had
all the appearance of being asleep. Then
in a drowsy tone and evidently in ear-
nest he said, "Guess, mamma, whether
I'm asleep or awake."—Youth's Com-
panion.

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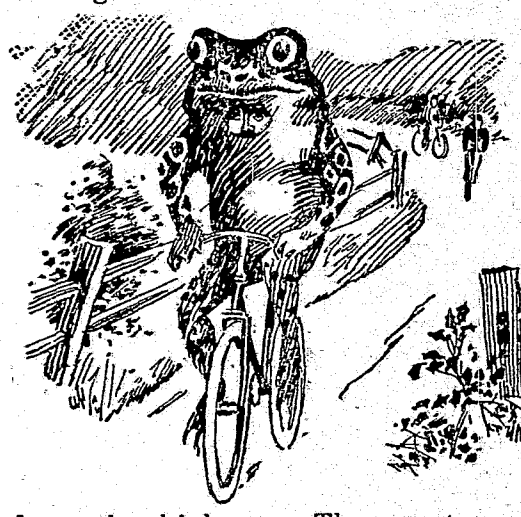
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FROG ON A BIKE.

A Wheelman's Race That Started the
People of Haddonfield, N. J.

What looked like an antediluvian
monster rode through the town of Had-
donfield, N. J., the other day and oc-
casioned great excitement as it scorch-
ed along the highway.



The monster was
unmistakably a frog, but a giant in
size. He was monstrous, terrible, ap-
palling.

Finally a wheelman rode up in per-
suit, and then another and another. The
frog on the bike scared a horse, fright-
ened a cow and almost drew a bullet
from the gun of a huntsman in a field.
Dogs chased him and small boys stoned
him.

The spectators who were in at the fin-
ish were then treated to the greatest
surprise of all. Instead of throwing the
monster from his wheel and fastening
him with ropes the pursuers gathered
around, laughing and cheering. Then
the big frog suddenly opened up down
the center, and out from the interior
stepped a man, panting and exhausted.

The idea originated with Mr. G. L.
Carr of Haddonfield, who offered a
handsome medal for the winner of the
race. The distance covered was 11
miles, and the time was 38 minutes.

The man who caught the frog said:
"The frog was allowed five minutes'
start, and 17 of us went in pursuit. It
was the finest sport ever seen in this
vicinity."

Waltzing Ostriches.

One of the oddest sights on the sandy
stretches of plain in southern Africa is
a party of waltzing ostriches. A recent
writer on the subject thus describes
their queer antics:

"When there are a number of them,
they will start off in the morning and
after running a few hundred yards, will
stop and with raised wings will whirl
rapidly round till they are stupefied, or
perhaps break a leg. The males pose
also before fighting and to make their
court. They kneel on their ankles, open-
ing their wings and balancing them-
selves alternately forward and backward
or to one side or the other, while the
neck is stretched on a level with the
back and the head strikes the sides, now
on the right, now on the left, while the
feathers are rustling. The bird stoops
at this time so absorbed in its occupa-
tion as to forget all that is going on
around him and can be approached and
caught. The male alone utters a cry,
which sounds like an effort to speak
with the mouth shut tight."

Kind-Hearted Abe Lincoln.

"Once when I was a girl at school,"
said Kate Roby, "Schoolmaster Craw-
ford and I were given the word 'defied,'
which had been misspelled several times
when it came my turn. Abe Lincoln
stood on the opposite side of the room
and was watching me. I began 'd-e-f-
and then I stopped, hesitating whether
to proceed with an 'i' or a 'y.' Looking
up, I saw Abe, a grin on his face, point-
ing with one forefinger to his eye. I
took the hint, spelled the word with an
'i,' and it went through all right."

Grandpa's Boy.

I'm going back down to grandpa's.
I won't come back no more
To hear the remarks about my feet
A-makin' up the floor.
They're too much said about my clothes,
The scoldin's never done—
I'm goin' back down to grandpa's.
Where a boy kin' hev some fun.

I dug up half his garden
A gittin' worms for bait.
He said he used to like it
When I laid abed so late.
He said that pie was good for boys
And candy made 'em grow.
If I can't go to grandpa's,
I'll turn pirate first you know.

He let me take his shotgun
An' loaded it for me.
The cats they hid out in the barn,
The hens flew up a tree.
I had a circus in the yard
With twenty other boys—
I'm going back to grandpa's,
Where they ain't afraid of noise.

He didn't make me comb my hair
But once or twice a week.
He wasn't watchin' out fer words
I did 'em better speak.
He told me stories 'bout the war
An' I jined 'em up to 'em.
Oh, I'm goin' down to grandpa's,
For he knows wot boys like best.

He even run a race with me,
But had to stop on a cough.
He rode my bicycle an' laughed
Be'cuz he tumbled off.
He knew the early apple trees
Around within a mile.
Oh, grandpa was a dandy,
An' was "in it" all the while.

I bet you grandpa's lonesome.
I don't care what you say.
I seen him when he cryin'
When you took me away.
When you talk to me of heaven
Where all the good folks go.
I guess I'll go to grandpa's,
An' we'll have good times, I know.

—A. T. Worden.

FARM-FIELD AND GARDEN

CONCERNING ROUND BARN.

These Circular Structures Are Becoming
Common in Dairy Districts.

Round barns are becoming quite com-
mon in some parts of the country. There
seems to be an economy of space in a
circular structure, and the fact that it
is possible to have a silo in the center,
away from the effect of the changes of
temperature, is a great advantage, par-
ticularly in dairy districts, where the
greater number of these round barns are
found. The Orange Judd Farmer re-
cently illustrated a round barn owned
by a farmer of Waupaca, Wis. Follow-
ing is the description given in the jour-
nal referred to. The frame of the enter-
wall of the first story is made of 2 by
12 inch studs three feet apart. Above
the second floor these studs are only
2 by 6 inches. The whole is covered
with eight inch drop siding. On the
first floor is a row of double stalls facing
a nine foot alley. The gutters back of
the stalls are 20 inches wide and 5
inches deep on the south side of the
barn, reaching a depth of seven inches
by the time they get to the north
end, so as to furnish drainage. A liquid
manure cistern is situated just outside
of the barn.

The main entrance to the first floor is
on the south side, where a wide open
space extends clear through to the silo.
A shoot extends from the silo down
through the floor to the stalls below,
through which the feed is thrown. On
the second floor there is room for hay,
farm machinery, grain, horse stalls, etc.
Scaffolding just above the second story
adds greatly to the hay capacity of the
barn. A commodious milkroom is lo-
cated in the northeast corner, where
the separator stands. Milk is run
through the separator simply to clean
and aerate it, after which it is bottled
for market.

The silo walls are made of studding
2 by 12 inches and covered on the in-
side with three thicknesses of half inch
boards, with a layer of building paper
between the courses. The outside is
covered with sheathing, merely to create
air spaces between the studding, which
insure perfect ventilation. After being
filled the contents of the silo are merely
wet down on top with 40 or 50 pails of
water every other day until five or six
applications have been made. The total
cost of this barn and milkhouse was
about \$3,000.

Manufacturing Manure.

A New Jersey correspondent of The
New England Homestead says:

I started with the poorest field on the
farm as a manure factory. Some people
seem to think that stable manure must
be made in a stable in the old time way
of feeding expensive timothy hay and
oats to a horse and bedding him with
rye straw. In my travels in Delaware I
have seen the cowpea and crimson clover
manufacturing manure faster than a
whole regiment of horses. I took a four
acre field, too poor to grow healthy
weeds, and worked it thoroughly with
the cutaway harrow. I then broadcasted
1,600 pounds of basic slag and 500
pounds of kainit and sowed 4 1/2 bushels
of early black cowpeas. The result was
an immense growth of vine, which was
cut Aug. 15. A second growth at once
started from the roots, and this grew
steadily until frost. In the meantime I
scattered crimson clover seed over the
field, and this finally started and will
grow during the winter. The cowpea
vine may be fed to stock by those who
care to do so, or they may be used di-
rectly as manure, or used in mulching
strawberries. I can rent cheap land and
grow this crop at very light expense for
very much less than we can obtain sta-
ble manure. On poor land it is by all
odds the greatest manurial plant we can
grow.

Forcing Asparagus.

"In forcing asparagus," says a writer
in American Gardening, "it is essential
to have very strong roots. They should
not be less than 4 years old; 5 or
6 would be better. The space under
the benches of a cool forcing house is a
good place to grow them. Place three
or four inches of good soil under the
benches. The clumps are then placed as
close together as possible, and some
good soil is filled between them. The
vines may be covered with three or four
inches of soil, of which about half is
leaf mold. It holds the moisture better
than common soil. The heat should be
kept rather low for a few days; after
that the temperature may rise from 50
to 55 degrees. For a succession new
roots should be planted every three or
four weeks.

"Roots should be dug up, care being
taken not to break the clumps, and re-
taining all the soil possible around the
clumps. They may be piled in some
shed so as to be had as wanted. Cover
with some soil or litter so as to keep
them from drying out. They will not
hurt to freeze—indeed, it adds to their
value for forcing."

Commercial Fertilizers.

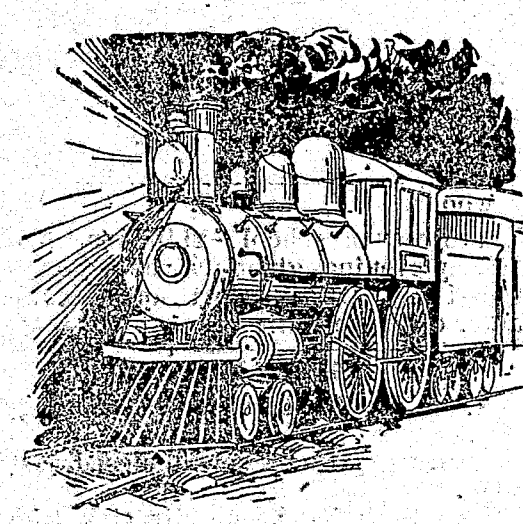
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nia it was told that the use of com-
mercial fertilizers "has" paid on naturally
thin soils. There is no question on
this point. But the puzzling question
with many is the advisability of paying
one month for complete fertilizers or
dependence upon the use of phosphoric
acid alone. For wheat and grass the lat-
ter alone, in the form of acid rock, often
gives about as good results as the more
costly fertilizers. Where clover grows
well it can be made to grow well it
should furnish all the nitrogen needed.
Theoretically some rock mixed with
muriate of potash and used in connec-
tion with clover, should be the thing
for ordinary soils. For the tobacco and
potato crops some possibility of paying
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FREEBURG.
Fred Fife is home from Augusta.
Mrs. Tibbetts has returned from a visit in Vermont.
Mrs. E. J. Brackett is visiting friends in Massachusetts.
Geo. Hally of Brownfield spent Sunday with A. S. Merrill.
W. H. Tarbox has been home from Boston for a short visit.
Miss Barnes of North Conway, N. H., is at Mrs. M. A. Randall's.
The Chautauque circle met with Rev. B. N. Stone, Monday night.
The Athletic Exhibition will be given in Academy Hall, Friday evening.
Miss K. E. Abbott has closed her school in New Gloucester and is home for a vacation.
R. E. Hastings, George Warren and Charles Chandler have been at Paris attending court.
The District School was presented in the Vestry, Friday evening, before a large audience.
Rev. Howard Markley of Bridgton will preach in the New Church, next Sunday morning.
The members of the Prismatic Club will meet with Clem Page, Monday evening, Feb. 21, the subject of the program being, the poet James Whitcomb Riley.
A very good entertainment was given in New Church Hall, Saturday evening. The programme included readings, music by the Academy Orchestra and a very amusing farce, "The Coming Woman." Refreshments were served at the close of the exercises.
Real estate transfers recorded at Cumberland county registry of deeds:
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HASTINGS.

Mrs. Sargent spent Sunday in Berlin. Eva Walker of South Paris closed a very successful term of school, last Friday.
Harry Hobson has gone to the Ear and Eye Infirmary at Portland to have his eyes treated.
The Emerald Minstrels of Hastings will give an entertainment, next Saturday evening.
Mrs. George Kneeland of Bethel has been visiting at her brother's, Burnham Rice's, the past week.
H. H. Hobson, superintendent of the W. R. L. Co., was in Norway, one day last week, to purchase horses to send in the woods.
There was a school exhibition, last Saturday evening, given by the scholars assisted by Ollie Stuart and Mertie Walker of South Paris.

DENMARK.

Mrs. A. H. Witham is considerably worse.
The village primary school closed, last Friday.
Elmore Swan has been quite sick, the past two weeks.
Geo. Jordan, whose leg was hurt at Norway, is improving.

Seth Grover died at the town farm, Feb. 7th, aged 70 years. He has been on the town farm for a home for many years.
Fred Sanborn tried to cut ice on Grandeur pond, last week, but found layers of ice and water, so he went to Moose pond and got it.

Chas. McIntire got one of his horses into Grandeur pond through a breathing hole. The logging and birch teams have been obliged to suspend operations till it freezes. Chas. McIntire cut one of his leader horses badly, last week, by partly breaking through the ice. It overreached and took the skin from the knee to the foot and peeled it right down the leg.
George Page of Fryeburg was in town the 11th.
L. Alexander is out again after several weeks' sickness.
Henry McIntire and wife are visiting at home in Portland.
J. W. Colby is drawing flour from Fryeburg for L. A. Ingalls.
Rev. E. H. Abbott of Fryeburg lectures here, the 17th, on Hoolidism.

BUCKFIELD.

H. D. Irish and wife spent Sunday in Portland.
Alton Tuttle of Massachusetts is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ripley Tuttle.
The minstrels who have been rehearsing for some weeks, are to entertain at Nezincoot Hall, Friday night, Feb. 25. On the evening of Feb. 22 there will be exercises at Nezincoot Hall in honor of Neal Dow, by the G. A. R. citizens and schools.

WEST PARIS.

You can buy a copy of this paper at F. W. Ford's Store for 4 cents.
Mr. White, the new druggist, boards at F. A. Young's.

Mrs. A. R. Bucknam has sold her drug business to Mr. White.
Della Ridlon went to Norway the 10th, on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Geo. Jackson.

Clarence Curtis arrived home from Boston on the Sunday morning train for a short vacation.

Will Perkins, wife and little daughter of Andover recently visited at H. D. Curtis' and E. R. Davis'.

James Cummings, evangelist from the West, visited his aunt, Mrs. E. J. Burns, a few days, the past week.

The Good Templars are preparing the drama, "Ten Nights in a Bar Room," to be played in the near future.
Don't forget the drama, "Josiah's Courtship," to be played at Centennial Hall, this Thursday evening.

Frank Reed and wife attended the 4th annual ball of the Rumford Center Grange, Friday evening, the 11th.
Phila Brooks of Gorham, N. H., is again working for her aunt, Mrs. Auguste Bacon, Mrs. Rider having returned home.

Newell Young and wife were called to Norway, Saturday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Young's sister, Mrs. Rollin Young.

Mrs. Bradbury had one of her stable horses so badly cut Sunday, from getting out in the snow that it could not be driven home.

The Grammar school taught by Alton Wheeler closed, last Friday; the primary under the instruction of J. Blanche Chase closed, Saturday, with exercises by the children.

The first and second degrees were conferred on three candidates, last Saturday evening, at the Grange. There was a good attendance and the contest is creating a lively interest. Special meeting, Sat., the 19th, in the afternoon for the contest.

Great Snow and Wind Storm in 1886.

The South Albany correspondent of the Advertiser would like to know something of the great storm a few years ago. It occurred in 1886, nearly twenty years ago. Some five inches snow fell during the day with thermometer 6 deg. below zero and rising temperature in P. M.

Friday, Feb. 26.—A terrible snow storm accompanied with a high north-east gale commenced at an early hour this morning. Probably a foot and a half of snow has fallen and all roads are blocked to-night. The Waterford and Bridgton stages, which came over in the morning, do not leave Norway. No trains are running and no mails.

Thermometer stands at 32 deg.

Saturday, Feb. 27.—Cloudy and high north-west wind drifting the snow mountain high. A large force shoveling nearly a half day to get the milk team through to Norway. Stages are still corralled in Norway. An engine and baggage car gets up from Portland with yesterday's mail. Thermometer at zero.

Sunday, Feb. 28.—Clear skies, blasting winds and thermometer at 5 deg. All hands shoveling out the snow drift again to-day. Milk teams get through in afternoon. Stages are still in Norway. A gang have been to work on the lake road all day and yet it is not passable.

Clear in forenoon, windy and blustering snow squalls in afternoon. No such snow drifts ever seen on road to Norway. Rode to town meeting with Ben. Tucker and home with Irving Frost. But few persons from out of town. Stages started home with mail; thermometer 5 below 0.

Tuesday, March 2.—Mostly cloudy and the fifth day of the furious blast. Stages got through with mail but do not return to-day. No travel; all roads drifted full and fearfully cold. Thermometer at 0.

Wednesday, March 3.—Partly cloudy, windy and warmer. A party shoveling through the drifts to Norway.

Dr. Gatchell and wife of Brownfield, Mrs. Harvell A. Wentworth and two children here to dinner. The party have been attending Court at Paris Hill and have been snow-bound there for a solid week. They were a half day coming from Paris Hill, 6 miles.

Thursday, March 4.—Clear, windy and warm. Parties breaking roads with horses and oxen. Stages making their regular trips again since a week ago.

The storm of Feb. 1, 1893, will bear no comparison the five days of storm and wind in February and March, 1886.

Norway Lake, Feb. 12, 1893.

BYRON.

Mrs. E. G. Knapp is on the sick list, this week.
Roads are getting passable again, after the big storm.

Dr. Stephen Taylor is away, doing dentistry work.
W. S. Reed is steaming out spruce gum, this week.

O. W. Merrill and family have gone away on a visit.
The town officers are getting ready for the annual town meeting.

Cavies Richmond is working in No. 6, driving a team for Blanchard & Twitchell.

Mrs. Jotham Shaw, who has been very sick, is improving. So also is Mrs. P. D. Taylor.

Amos Alden and Gervase Hodsdon have started a new gum factory at Gum Corner.

But few are sick with the measles, now. Mr. O'Brien was very sick, but is now much better.

Mrs. George Ladd has gone to Wolfboro, N. H., to spend a few weeks with relatives and friends.

W. D. Abbott is visiting his mother, Mrs. John Houghton. He has charge of a horse farm in Readville, Mass.

High school has again started with a good attendance. The town is doing well by the schools and we are glad to see so many taking advantage of it. There is quite an attendance from scholars out of town.

Angie King is stopping at H. A. Holmes, for a while.

Sidney Hall of East Waterford is visiting his uncle, M. B. Warren.

Annie Staples of Auburn visited her mother, Mrs. James Dunn, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pike of Norway visited Mrs. Pike's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bennett.

The ladies of the M. E. Circle spent a very pleasant evening with their pastor, the Rev. Mr. Stanley, at his home in Oxford, Feb. 11th.

New York Fashions.

Materials for Spring and Summer, Open Weaves, Close surfaces, Crepons—New Millinery—Notes.

The coming season will be one par excellence of open weaves which surpass in boldness, anything hitherto put upon the market. Grenadines and etamines, because lending themselves specially to such ideas, are in great favor and tinged by very heavy threads that often surround open spaces, become very marked in appearance. Intervals large enough to admit a finger tip, are seen and effective goods are woven in hemstitch patterns that sometimes extend all over the surface or again appear in stylish borderings. Of course such fabrics require silk linings and pretty contrasts between linings and outer materials may be expected. With this in view, most of the new open goods are in black and the more so, because black on black is always elegant and may be brightened on occasion by colored accessories.

Closely woven materials are of course a necessity and here a simulation of crepon is seen by stripes of lace that are stitched on or by lace-like weavings in the goods. Many show likewise, numerous contrasts in color, but plain fabrics having simulated rows of braiding around the skirt, are commendable by reason of their simplicity. Tucks woven in the goods, are a marked feature in Spring importations and go to show that tucks in general will be again in much favor. A majority of these woven tucks are in silk on wool and in a skirt shade, than the goods so as to show them off.

Crepons in expensive varieties, are a genuine surprise, since the expectation was general, that last season marked the end of their existence. This however, is found a mistake and they appear in such numbers as to assure great popularity, if not an actual run, the latter being predicted by experienced buyers.

But the new crepons, it must be remembered, are in the more costly varieties, though a natural consequence will be the continued utilizing of less expensive goods on the part of weavers who consult economy. Delightful blendings of color appear on some new crepons, but the majority are in black.

New millinery shows a predominance of rough or open straws in quite as fanciful shapes as ever, and while there are no special novelties in trimmings, they become new by reason of newness in device, as for example, where the conservative many, by means of enlarged size and wholly unnatural colors, becomes quite another flower. Enlargement of small blossoms is indeed quite a feature and styles in arrangement are sometimes very different from what has been seen, violets in garlands, being a noteworthy instance.

The Russian blouse though rapidly declining in popularity, will be seen during spring and summer and jacket fronts as well, may be counted upon for next season.

Mauve is a favorite shade in spring importations; turquoise blue is also very stylish and burnt orange, a brilliant yellow tinged with brown, is extremely effective, especially in millinery.

Mrs. M. Macfarlane, if purchased from a reliable house, are an excellent choice, since they are handsome and very cheap, because made of remnants and at odd times.

Ivory paste is made by adding a ounce and a half of the well known soap cut into shavings, to a pint of boiling water. Let this boil for five or ten minutes and allow it to cool in a china or glass jar that can be covered tightly. You will find it a real family friend and always at hand for the removal of soil on articles of all grades, from kid gloves or silk dresses, to carpets or kitchen floors.

"Catherine." There is a real and very pretty sentiment in the four leaf clover and the leaf shows green in a perpetual enclosure of glass in heart or circular shape and the cost is small, running from \$2.50 upwards. White enamel charms showing in text, some endearing motto, are also pretty and cost about the same.

"Q. X." Favors for the cottillion, are in many devices, but fancy sticks such as the Directorate, shepherds or Folly, are oftentimes noticeable. LUCY CARTER.

MASON.

Albert Whitman of Bethel was in town, last Saturday.
Deputy sheriff Wornell of Bethel was in town, the past week.

Horace Hutchins is serving on the jury at the county seat.

F. I. Bean and daughter Marion visited at South Paris, recently.
Sabra Mills of Lewiston is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Mills.

Leon Tyler is drawing sawdust from A. S. Bean's to his place at West Bethel, to cover his ice.

The snow has settled nearly one half in the past few days. Sunday was a real March day, very warm.

F. I. Bean has bought an upright shingle machine, which he will put in his mill in place of the old machine.

There is quite a business carried on in this place, this winter. Arthur Morrill has two four-horse teams and Ernest Morrill has one four-horse team and five two-horse teams drawing birch and stave timber to A. S. Bean's mill in this place. Oscar Mason a two-horse, ver a two-horse horse, and S. O. Groves a two-horse team drawing to West Bethel Mill. Daniel Mills has a two-horse team drawing poplar to a company, and F. I. Bean has one drawing pine from Albany to his mill in this place. Besides there are about fifty men employed chopping and teaming; business is lively. The tariff doesn't affect the people here, but the snow has.

MEXICO.

Mrs. B. F. Virgin is now gaining rapidly again.

Mrs. E. L. B. Richards is much improved in health.

The M. E. Church Aid Society met with Mrs. H. G. Virgin, Fri., Feb. 11.

H. W. Cummings from Montpelier, Vt., a student at Cobb Divinity School, Lewiston, is preaching at Mexico, supplanting Mr. M. and, who is away engaged in revival work.

The singing school at this place, which was taught by Prof. Wight, will close, next Saturday evening, with a concert. A fine program is assumed. A small admittance fee will be charged to cover expenses.

The Androscoggin Dramatic Club gave the drama, Messmates, at the town hall, Tuesday evening, to a crowded house. The specialties, which were introduced by Mr. Fitzherbert, were greatly enjoyed by all. Next Thursday evening they will play it at the Wigwam, Rumford Falls, and sometime next week at Music Hall, Dixfield.

MID-WINTER STORE CLEANING SALE!

I will sell at the following prices until
March 1, 1893:

10 qt. Pail,	10
2 " Dipper,	5
Bread Tins,	8
Biscuit Tins, all sizes,	10
Galvanized Chamber Pails,	28
12 10 qt. Pails, home made,	32
12 12 " " "	32
10 qt. Agate Milk Pans,	18
Agate Basins,	9
Bread (Loaf)	15
Gem Pans,	8, 10 and 12
Tin Steep Pans,	10, 12, 14 and 15
Agate Wash Basins,	18
Tin	8
Wire Dish Drainer,	15
Enameled 2 Qt. Dipper,	18
Retinned 14 qt. Dish Pan,	20
" 17 " " "	20
Plain 14 " " "	15
Ham Side Spring Lantern,	36
Scissors,	10
Pocket Knives, 2 blades,	10
Cooking Knives,	5
Family Hammers,	9
Kitchen Sets, consisting of Fritter Turner, Fork and Spoon,	20
Dover Egg Beaters,	7
Glass Cutter,	2
Daisy Small Wash Board,	12
Coat Hangers,	5
Tin Wash Boiler,	90
Copper Bottom Boiler,	20
Wash Boards,	20
Long Handled, 1 qt. Dippers,	8
1 quart Milk Cans,	7
1 pint	5
Herb Steepers,	2 to 7
Nickel Plated Cuspidors,	3
Basins, from	4
Pint Cups,	20
Pressed Drinking Cups,	8
House Brooms,	10
Whisk	8
Saw Frames,	20
" Rods,	4
100 feet Clothes Line,	4
1 doz. Spring Clothes Pins,	4
2 " Common "	9
Square Syrup Cans, full gallon,	9

This is largely a clean out sale, but the goods are clean and right. Many of the articles I have but few of, and they will soon sold.

140 Main St., Norway, Me.

WM. C. LEAVITT.

I suppose you all know there has been an advance in!

CRACKERS,

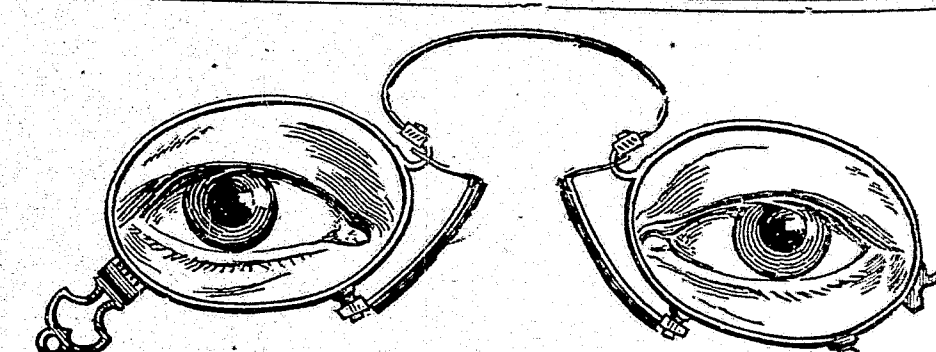
But we still sell ours at old price, 25c. per hundred.

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Our Optical Department is the finest in Oxford County. Remember we are the only Practical Graduate Optician in Oxford County. The only optician in this county who has ever personally attended an Optical School and has diplomas for same.

We correct all errors of refraction with perfect accuracy, having all modern instruments and a room fitted especially for examination and testing the eyes and of Ophthalmoscope.

We use same methods that are used by the leading oculists in the large cities. If anyone tells you that Hills was not the first in Oxford County to make the eye and special lenses ground for the defects, he tells you a falsehood.

Look out for quack Doctors, Professors, etc., blustering around and boasting of unrivaled ability, who try to pass as graduate opticians, but never attended an optical school—simply buy diplomas by mail.

Any one can be a graduate optician "by mail." All you have to do is get your \$5.00 and get your diploma; if you will buy two or more you will get name, to number the practice with. "Professor," or any other high sounding title.

Hills' prices are much the lowest. Solid gold spectacle frames, \$1.50; gold frames, \$1.25, warranted for ten years; others ask \$2.00 for the same. We also have cheap filled at 50c. and 75c. Lenses, 25c. and upwards.

Extract from the Norway Advertiser, 1885, says: "Vivian W. Hills, our best optician, has been in Portland attending the greater part of the past three weeks, under the supervision of Mr. Hills, a graduate optician, under the charge of a celebrated New York oculist. This examination and practice at the Eye and Ear Infirmary must be a benefit to Mr. Hills in his examination of the eye. Mr. H. Hills has been first course ten years ago at Chicago and ever since has been in advance of all others. He also was the first in Oxford County to make a specialty of fitting eyes for all errors."

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BUSINESS SPECIALS.

Under this head business notices for ten cents per line. Seven words a line. New cloth hats at Foster's.

Remnant sale at Thomas Smiley's.

Fashionable, new, spring hat at Noyes', Blue Store.

Thomas Smiley is holding a sale to clear the stock for spring.

50c down and 50c a week Quaker Range at Hobbs' Variety.

Mackintoshes at low prices, P. Boarders wanted, Mrs. Dean, Main and Whitman streets, Norway.

Bargains in winter goods at Noyes', Blue Store.

Buy suits, fur coats, over coats, underwear, overshirts, etc., as now. Money saved in buying new.

Dry goods at a discount for two at Thomas Smiley's.

Winter caps at cost at Foster's.

If you want your eyes examined, glasses fitted call at Cole's Jeweler. Examination free. Call the optician.

Read Hills' ad.

Money saved on underwear at Patch-work pieces, 25 cents at Thomas Smiley's.

Will be at Cole's jewelry store, 50c down and 50c a week.

With your eyes call and have them examined, free of charge. H. Hills, optician.

Wanted a girl to do general work. Good wages paid. S. B. & Z. S. Prince, Norway.

Hills, the optician, would like his friends in Oxford County to know when a traveling optician is in town.

Warrant for Town Meeting.

STATE OF MAINE.

To E. W. Sanborn, a citizen of town of Norway, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, do hereby order you to attend the town meeting of the said town of Norway, by law to be held in town affairs, to be held on the 17th day of March, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, on the following articles, to-wit:

ART. I. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

ART. II. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. III. To choose a Board of Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Town Agent, a Supervisor of the Poor, and a Surveyor of the Highways of the said town of Norway, by law to be held in town affairs, to be held on the 17th day of March, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, on the following articles, to-wit:

ART. IV. To see what sum of money will grant and raise for the extinguishing of the town debt.

ART. V. To see what sum of money will grant and raise for the extinguishing of the town debt.

ART. VI. To see what sum of money will grant and raise for the extinguishing of the town debt.